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Fort Almanac—May 16.

Sun Rises	4 53 A M
Sun Sets	6 59 P M
Day's Length	14 h 06 m
High Water at Southport	6 54 A M
High Water at Wilmington	8 44 A M

The Weather.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., May 16.

Meteorological data for yesterday:

Temperature: 8 a. m., 67°; 8 p. m., 69°. maximum, 76°; minimum, 63°; mean, 69°.

Rainfall for the day, .64; rainfall since 1st of month up to date, 2.12 inches.

COTTON REGION BULLETIN.

Scattered local rains fell over nearly all sections of the cotton belt under the influence of cooler conditions entering from the North.

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., May 15.—At 8 a. m. the stage of water in the Cape Fear river was 17.4 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

For North Carolina—Fair, except showers near the coast; warmer in western portions; northeasterly winds, becoming easterly.

OUTLINES.

J. T. Cramer, Thomasville, N. C., is an applicant for position as deputy auditor of the Navy Department. —President McKinley will send a message to Congress Monday on the Cuban situation. —Judge Gibbons, Chicago, renders a decision that the American Tobacco Co. is an illegal corporation and prohibits its agents from carrying on business in that State. —Three women were drowned yesterday by the capsizing of a steam launch in the river at Philadelphia. —The Sultan of Turkey has postponed his reply to the request for an armistice until after the Biram festival, which ends Sunday night. —Spanish newspapers are disposed to resent proposed action by the U. S. government for the relief of destitute Americans in Cuba. —Four men killed and two others badly hurt by a boiler explosion near Randolph, Ky. —Three women in the Dallas (Texas) cotton factory fought; two were fatally and the third slightly wounded. —J. H. Dehring, ex city treasurer of Belleville, Ill., hanged himself; he had overdrawn his salary and could not make up the deficit. —A negro thief who shot a police officer in Richmond, Va., was captured near the city. —At the Virginia State hospital, near Petersburg, one of the inmates struck another inmate a fatal blow with a floor-mop. —Representatives of about forty yarn mills met in convention at Charlotte and signed an agreement for curtailment of production. —An elderly man *with his throat* cut was found on the *highway near* Reidsville, N. C.; he said *two young* men assaulted him and cut his throat. —Empire plaid mills at High Point burned; loss $37,000. —Atkinson has decided to sell the Northeastern railroad of Georgia. —The Turkish garrison at Prevesa is reported to have surrendered to the Greek forces; sixteen million pounds is mentioned as the amount of indemnity which Turkey will demand of Greece. —Dr. J. M. Hays, of the State board of medical examiners, was found dead in bed at Greensboro. —A financial panic exists in Havana, caused by refusal to exchange bank bills for silver; prices of all products have doubled within a few days. —In a collision on the Alabama Great Southern railroad, six persons were seriously injured. —A building was wrecked at Huntington, W. Va., last night by a dynamite bomb; no one was injured. —Germany, France and Russia have combined to settle the Egypt and Transvaal questions, to force the evacuation of Egypt and put the Dutch republic on an independent basis. New York markets: Money on call was quoted easy at 1@1½ per cent.; cotton quiet and firm—middling 7⅞c flour was weak—city mill clears $4 75@4 95; wheat—spot weak—No. 1 Northern New York 84½c; corn—spot easier; No. 2 30½c at elevator; rosin steady—strained common to good $1.65; spirits turpentine steady at 28@28½c.

St. Louis is ahead. A man out there has seen the air ship in the daytime. But some St. Louis men can see almost anything in the daytime.

A Delaware man died a few days ago from an incorrigible habit he had of biting his finger nails. He swallowed enough of the clippings to kill him.

The Mayor of the big New York will be a boss with horns. With a salary of $15,000 a year he will control patronage amounting to nearly $40,000,000.

Mrs. Lease is disposed to look upon that Oklahoma cloudburst as a visitation of Providence. Some of those people out there do not bathe half enough.

There is trouble brewing for somebody. The Milwaukee and Chicago brewers are organizing a big lobby to go to Washington to fight the beer tax.

In commenting upon the tendency to extravagance in appropriations by Congress an exchange asks: "When is this to slow up?" When the Republican party is knocked out.

Business must be bad with the Kentucky doctors, so many of them are going into politics, and Republican politics, too, which is worse. Dr. Hunter was knocked out for the Senate, Dr. Deboe went in, and now Dr. James is legging for U. S. Marshal.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Attention is called to the following REDUCED RATES of Subscription to THE MORNING STAR:

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TO CITY SUBSCRIBERS.

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A somewhat remarkable funeral took place at Reading, Pa., the other day, when a 1½ pound baby five weeks old was buried. It was eleven inches long and so well formed that the doctors hoped it would live. In its five weeks of life it had not increased a quarter of an ounce in weight.

The Washington papers protest against the appointment of Cheatham, of North Carolina, Recorder of Deeds for the District of Columbia. Speaking for the District patriots they regard it as a cheat 'em business.

The late Theodore A. Havemeyer, of the Sugar Trust, died poor after all. He was supposed to be worth about $20,000,000, but he left an estate worth only $4,000,000.

Governor Taylor, of Tennessee, threatens to resign and go on the lecture platform. He has become weary of being lectured by the other fellows who wanted something and didn't get it.

The "unspeakable Turk" isn't quite as unspeakable as some people supposed. He is now talking for about $15,000,000 and some other things from Greece.

That "holiness" Arkansas woman who shot four men who undertook to break up a holiness meeting seems to have enlisted in earnest in the church militant.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

S. W. SANDERS—Eggs.
GEO. O. GAYLORD—Free.
A. D. BROWN—Prosperity.
MERCER & EVANS—Shoes.
NOTICE—Pyxis toilet cream.
SEACOAST ROAD—Schedule.
W. B. COOPER—Roasted coffee.
R. R. BELLAMY—Open all day.
SAM'L BEAR, SR.—For sale low.
EXCURSION—To Carolina Beach.
TAYLOR'S BAZAAR—Don't miss it.
N. C. HOME B. A.—Seventh series.
D. L. GORE—Attention everybody.
W. E. SPRINGER & CO.—Hardware.
FOR RENT—Cottage at Ocean View.
OPEN—Carolina Beach Pleasure Club.
JAS. H. COWAN—Periodicals, papers.
FOR SALE—Valuable phosphate lands.
SEACOAST ROAD—Surf-bathing, &c.
J. H. REHDER & CO.—Deparm't store.
A. PREMPERT—Representatives atten'n
WORTH & WORTH—Best quality only.
OWEN F. LOVE & CO.—Tin and sheet-iron workers.

NEW BUSINESS LOCALS.

NOTICE—Salesman.
JAS. F. WOOLVIN—Notice.
NOTICE—First-class board.
P. H. HAYDEN—Buggies, harness.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Pertinent Paragraphs Pertaining Principally to People and Pointedly Printed.

— Mr. E. T. Pullen, of Rocky Point, was here yesterday.

— Mr. A. T. Currie, of Faison, was among yesterday's hotel registrations.

— Dr. E. Porter, of Rocky Point, was among the visitors to the city yesterday.

— Mr. John F. Musselwhite, of Hope Mills, was one of yesterday's arrivals.

— Mr. R. W. Rivenbark, of South Washington, was in the city yesterday, making monthly business calls.

— Miss Agnes Foy, of Newbern, who has been spending some time in the city, returned to her home yesterday.

— Rev. S. J. Porter, pastor of the First Baptist Church at Newbern, was here yesterday, returning home from a visit to his parents in Columbus county.

— Mr. Martin O'Brien leaves today for a trip to Philadelphia, Boston, New York, and other of the Northern cities. While in Boston he will be the guest of his sister, Miss Mary O'Brien.

Off for Charlotte.

Wilmington's clever young wheelman, Mr. Frank Tarrantine, leaves this afternoon for Charlotte to commence training for the bicycle races which take place in that city on the 20th inst. Turrentine will enter the races next Thursday to "do or die," and his many friends and admirers in this city are well satisfied that he will "do," which is in accordance with Frank's past record. Mr. Bellamy Harriss, another one of our young but fast riders, will leave Wednesday for Charlotte to also compete in the races. A number of noted riders are entered for the races, among whom are Becker, Steenson and Schade.

If there is anything you want, advertise for it. Is there anything you don't want? Advertise it in the Business Locals of the STAR. One cent a word. But no ad. taken for less than 30 cents. tf

LOCAL DOTS.

Items of Interest Gathered Here and There and Briefly Noted.

— For other new advertisements see fourth page.

— Mr. Robert R. Bellamy's drug store is open to-day.

— The visiting Masons have about all returned to their respective homes.

— The first huckleberries of the season were on the market yesterday at 15 cents per quart.

— Mr. James F. Woolvin gives notice that his residence is now 512 North Fourth street.

— Register of Deeds Norwood the past week issued marriage licenses to one white and two colored couples.

— The STAR sympathizes with Mr. and Mrs. Robt. L. Bridger, of Bladenboro, in the death of their infant son, Bollie Stone.

— The STAR acknowledges an invitation to attend the celebration of the 44th anniversary of the W. L. I., Thursday, May 20th, at Ocean View.

— Mr. Frank H. Stedman, secretary and treasurer, gives notice that the first instalment of the Seventh Series of the N. C. Home Building Association is payable on Saturday, June 5th.

— At a meeting of the O. A. N. Society, held Friday night, Mr. Geo. P. James was elected president, Mr. Thos. Myers secretary and treasurer, and Mr. McRee Hatch captain of the foot ball team.

— The camp meeting season has opened with the colored people. A large number went down yesterday on the steamer *Wilmington* to the old camp meeting ground about 15 miles from here.

— A sociable complimentary to the convention choir and orchestra will be given at the Baptist church to-morrow night. Each member of the choir will render a selection. An enjoyable evening is anticipated.

— Mr. J. L. Castine, of Rocky Point, appreciates the pressing duties of telegraph operators during a busy season, and has rewarded the operators at the Western Union for efficient services with two crates of very fine strawberries.

— The Third North Carolina Infantry Association of Confederate Veterans will celebrate their 31st anniversary to-morrow, May 17, at Capt. James I. Metts' place on Greenville Sound. The members will go down on the Seacoast train, leaving here at 10.10 a. m.

— The annual meeting of the United Circles of the King's Daughters will be held Tuesday afternoon, May 18th, at 5 o'clock, at Abbie Chadbourn Memorial Hall. The president requests every King's Daughter in the city to be present whether a member of the Circle or not, as the meeting is for all and is very important.

— The STAR regrets to hear of the death of Mrs. Louise Smith, which occurred in Macon, Ga., last Wednesday. The deceased was the wife of Mr. Jas. H. Smith, for a number of years a resident of this city, and a sister of Mrs. S. L. Yopp and Mr. D. W. Matthews, both of this city. She was a daughter of the late Geo. W. Reaves.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington & Weldon R. R.—4 bales cotton, 1 cask spirits turpentine, 4 bbls crude turpentine.

Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta R. R.—15 bales cotton, 45 casks spirits turpentine, 178 bbls rosin, 51 bbls tar, 11 bbls crude turpentine.

Carolina Central R. R.—37 casks spirits turpentine, 78 bbls rosin, 13 bbls tar, 8 bbls crude turpentine.

Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley R. R.—17 casks spirits turpentine, 14 bbls rosin, 17 bbls tar.

Wilmington, Newbern & Norfolk R. R.—11 bbls crude turpentine.

Raft—89 bbls tar.

Total receipts—Cotton, 19 bales; spirits turpentine, 90 casks; rosin, 271 bbls; tar, 120 bbls; crude turpentine, 34 bbls.

Have Returned Home.

The Mystic Shriners donned their citizens' clothes yesterday and left for their respective homes. The occasion which they celebrated in such unique style will long be remembered by our people. The Newbern party left at two o'clock over the W., N. & N., and consisted of Messrs. C. D. Bradham, T. W. Dewey, B. B. Neal, L. J. Taylor, J. H. Hackburn, J. B. Clark and T. G. Hyman.

Several also left on the Carolina Central train, among them being George Campbell, W. S. Liddell, D. G. Maxwell, D. E. Allen, T. R. Robertson, Dr. J. F. Robertson and D. E. Allen, of Charlotte.

Messrs. A. E. Fagle and J. T. Barron left for their home, Columbia, S. C.

One Cent a Word.

Hereafter advertisements to go in our "Business Locals" department will be charged one cent per word for each insertion; but no advertisement, however short, will be taken for less than 30 cents.

This is a reduction from former rates and it is also a convenience to advertisers who can calculate the exact cost of their advertisements, which must be paid for always in advance.

We will present absolutely free a new 1897 bicycle (either ladies' or gents' wheel) in exchange for a favor we wish attended to in Wilmington, also another for attending to same in adjoining townships. No agency or selling business. We prefer those acquainted with many young people now studying music. For full particulars write, The Columbia Musical Ass'n., 916-918 South Third Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

CITY MARKETS.

Vegetables Continue Plentiful—Berries of Several Varieties—The First Huckleberries—Crabs, Clams and Shrimps.

There was the usual plentiful supply of vegetables on the city markets yesterday.

Strawberries commanded slightly higher prices than several days ago, blackberries were in good supply at 5c per quart and there were a few huckleberries, the first of the season.

The fish and meat market was fairly well supplied, with little demand for fish. Crabs, clams, and shrimp were on sale. Eggs brought from 8 to 10 cents per dozen.

Vegetables—Lettuce, 2½ to 5c per head; beets, 5c per bunch; asparagus, 10c per bunch; onions, 5c per bunch; sweet potatoes, 20 per peck; Irish potatoes (new) 5c per quart; carrots, 5c per bunch; soup bunches, 5c each, strawberries, 7½ per quart; cauliflower, 10c per head; English peas, 15c per peck; cabbage, 5 to 10c per head; squash, 35 and 40c per dozen; salad, 10c per peck; radishes, 2½c per bunch; turnips, 2½c per bunch; string beans, 10c per quart; blackberries, 5c per quart; huckleberries, 15c per quart.

Fish—Spots, 10c per bunch; mullets, 10c per bunch; sturgeon, 5c per bunch; pigfish, 15c per bunch.

Poultry—Chickens, dressed, 60 to 75c per pair; live, 55 to 70c per pair; spring chickens, 25 to 50c per pair; turkeys, dressed, 15c per pound;

Meats—Sausage, 10c per pound; loin steak, 18⅓c; round, 10c; chuck beef, 7c; stew, 5 to 6c; mutton, 10 to 12½c; veal, 12½c.

Clams, crabs and shrimps—Clams, 15 to 20c per quart; shrimps, 20c per quart; soft crabs, 40; per dozen; stone crabs, 5c each; channel crabs, 10c per dozen.

Colored Men in an Affray.

Thos. Smith, colored, in a difficulty yesterday afternoon with another colored man near the mill of the Cape Fear Lumber Company, at Hilton, had his left eye badly cut and lacerated by a kick delivered by his adversary. Smith works at the restaurant of Jno. McPherson, colored, and states that he went out to the Cape Fear Lumber Company to collect a sum of money from one of the hands at the mill, and while there dropped his knife between two boards lying on the ground; that while he was searching for the knife a colored man walked by him, stepping on his foot, and that when he spoke to the man about stepping on his foot that the man kicked him in the left eye, inflicting a painful and severe wound. Smith swore out a warrant for his assailant's arrest before Justice Bunting, which was placed in the hands of Deputy Flynn for execution.

U. S. District Court.

The entire session of the United States Court yesterday was taken up with the suit for $40,000, brought by the White Oak River Corporation Company against Mr. Thomas McIntyre. Upon the convening of court hearing of the evidence of Mr. Loum Snow, of New Bedford, Mass., president of the White Oak River Corporation Company, was resumed, after which witness Kelly E. Terry, general manager of the same company, was called to the stand. Mr. C. W. Plummer, of New Bedford, treasurer of the company, and Mr. D. S. Amon, of Onslow, were next examined.

The court shortly before 6 o'clock, while taking the testimony of Mr. Jno. D. Costin, of Onslow, took a recess until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Death of Mrs. Sarah Pearsall.

Mrs. Sarah Pearsall, relict of the late Wm. D. Pearsall and mother of our esteemed fellow citizens, Messrs. Oscar and Philander Pearsall, died suddenly yesterday morning at Marshville, Anson county, where she was visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. W. Marsh, in the 79th year of her age. Her remains will arrive on the Carolina Central train at 12.30 o'clock to-day and will be taken to St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, where the funeral services will be held at once. The burial will be made at the close of the services.

Mrs. Pearsall has been feeble for many months and her death was not unexpected.

CHARLOTTE TO WILMINGTON.

The Two Dollar Saturday Rate to Go Into Effect June 1st.

At the request of its many patrons and friends in Wilmington, the Seaboard Air Line has agreed to anticipate its two dollar Saturday rate, Charlotte to Wilmington, to go into effect on the first of June, in order to enable the members of the Southern Presbyterian Assembly to come to Wilmington on the 30th of May and spend Sunday. It is hoped that a large number of the members will take advantage of this opportunity. The rate will be two dollars for the round trip.

The Seaboard Air Line is contemplating putting on a parlor car to run between Charlotte and Wilmington for the accommodation of its patrons. The movement will probably be commenced on May 29th, enabling the delegates and visitors to the Presbyterian Assembly to make a more comfortable trip.

Magistrate's Court.

Justice Bunting had quite a busy day yesterday, disposing of the following cases:

Willie Ashley, colored, failing to work the county roads, was adjudged guilty, but judgment was suspended upon payment of costs.

Lish Richardson, colored, charged with carrying a concealed deadly weapon and assault with a deadly weapon, was adjudged not guilty in both cases and discharged.

Slydell Lucas, alias Jno. Waddell, colored, charged with wilful trespass, was let off upon payment of cost, as was also Thos. Hawkin, colored, charged with disorderly conduct.

— Mr. E. J. Hollingsworth, of Wake Forest College, who came down to attend the Southern Baptist Convention, returned yesterday.

SIGNS OF PROSPERITY.

HANDSOME NEW BUILDINGS IN COURSE OF ERECTION.

Carpenters, Painters and Brickmasons Busy—Architects and Contractors Have All They Can Do.

Carpenters, painters and brickmasons are not idle now-a-days by any means. Handsome new buildings are springing up on the scenes of the recent conflagrations, and available vacant lots are rapidly becoming adorned with new and modernly equipped residences. This activity in building is not, however, so very much more noticeable now than it has been all along. In fact, the architects and contractors say that they have had all they could do for some time.

Without speaking of the new stores and residences which have been completed and occupied since the beginning of the year, there is a sufficient number of stores and dwellings in process of erection now to encourage the belief that our city is moving steadily forward in architectural improvements.

It is undertaken here to name just a few of the buildings in course of erection, and it is to be remembered, of course, that there are doubtless many others that have escaped the notice of the reporter.

The brick store of Mr. I. Shrier, near corner of Front and Mulberry, is, under direction of architect Jas. F. Post, rapidly nearing completion. The walls are built as high as the second story, and the sleepers for both floors are in place. The lumber for joists, rafters and other wood work is on the ground. It is to be two stories high, with a basement, and will be 83 feet long by 33 feet wide.

Mr. S. Behrends' store on Front street is undergoing repairs. It will be ready to be reoccupied by Messrs. C. W. Polvogt & Co. at an early date. Messrs. D. Getas & Co. are the contractors, and Mr. H. E. Bonitz is architect and superintendent. The building will be equipped with an elevator, plate-glass windows, pressed brick front and metal trimmings. The brick readered defective by the fire has been removed. A good part of the interior work has already been furnished.

Further down Front the sound of the saw and hammer may be heard on the Loeb building, owned by Mr. A. D. Wessell, and just south of his store. It was formerly a dwelling house, and the upper story will still be used as a suite of sleeping rooms, but the lower floor is being converted into a store. The corner room on the first floor is already in use as a restaurant. Contractor Coleman Twining has the work in charge.

Silvia & Savage, contractors, are erecting a new dwelling for Mrs. W. T. Daggett on Front between Nun and Church, on the site of the one partly destroyed by fire several months ago.

On Market between Eighth and Ninth a cottage dwelling is being erected, under the supervision of architect H. E. Bonitz, for occupancy by Mr. R. H. Pickett.

There is another new dwelling being erected on Second street, between Orange and Ann, by contractor Silvy. It is the property of Mrs. A. A. Moffitt.

Contractor L. H. Vollers is erecting a new dwelling house on Dock street, between Sixth and Seventh. It will be owned by Mrs. L. Vollers, and occupied by Mr. J. M. Solky. Mr. Vollers has also recently completed for Mr. Stephen Chadbourn a dwelling house near Sixth and Orange streets.

Under the thorough-going methods of contractor Geo. B. Hanna, the Wrightsville Beach Hotel will be ready for guests by the specified time—June 1st. The roof is on, and the painters are putting on the second coat of paint.

A new ward two stories high has just been started at the Marine hospital, by D. Gitax & Co.

There are others to be noticed later.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

St. James', fourth Sunday after Easter: 7.45 a. m., the Holy Communion; 11 a. m., Morning Prayer, Sermon, Ante-Communion; 8 p. m., Evening Prayer. Sunday school 5 p. m. Strangers cordially invited.

St. Paul's church (Episcopal), corner Fourth and Orange streets. Services to-day at 11 a. m.

There will be no divine services held this day in St. Matthew's English Lutheran church, Brooklyn, owing to the absence of the pastor at Newbern. Sunday school at 9.30 a. m.

Services in St. John's Church to-day Holy Communion, 7.45 a. m.; Episcopal visitation and confirmation, 11 a. m.; Evening Prayer, 5.30 p. m. Sunday School, 4.30 p. m.

There will be a thanksgiving and praise service at the First Baptist church this morning at 11 o'clock. Everybody invited to attend. Rev. J. T. Betts, of Richmond, Va., is expected to preach at this church this evening at 8 o'clock.

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran church, corner of Market and Sixth streets, Rev. K. Boldt pastor—English service at 11 a. m.; German service at 8 p. m. Sunday school at 4.30 p. m. All seats free.

COLORED CHURCHES.

Evening prayer will be conducted by Rev. Dr. Carmichael at St. Mark's church at 8 o'clock.

Grace Lutheran Mission, Rev. Aug. Burgdorf, missionary. Services at Ruth Hall 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday school 3 p. m. Everybody welcome.

Clarendon Yacht Club.

The STAR understands that an entertainment, opening the season of 1897, will be given Wednesday, May 19th, by the Clarendon Yacht Club, that music and refreshments will enliven the occasion, delightful sea breezes will add comfort, and socialability and enjoyment will be the order of the day.

The last train will leave the club at 11 o'clock.

Members of the Carolina Yacht club will be invited to join in the festivities.

— Dr. G. D. Bernheim left yesterday for Newbern to hold service there to-day.

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Do not forget that THE MORNING STAR is the cheapest daily of its class in North Carolina. Its price is $5.00, while the published price of others ranges from $7.00 to $8.00.

BASE BALL.

The National League—Result of Yesterday's Games and Other Interesting Features.

YESTERDAY'S GAMES.

Baltimore, 20; St. Louis, 3.
Cincinnati 9; New York 7.
Pittsburg, 2; Washington, 0.
Chicago, 6; Brooklyn, 4.
Philadelphia-Louisville—Rain.
Cleveland, 5; Boston, 1.
Boston, 7; Cleveland, 6.

WHERE THEY PLAY TO DAY.

Baltimore at St. Louis.
Washington at Cleveland.
Brooklyn at Chicago.
Louisville at Cincinnati.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

	Won.	Lost	Per Cent.
Baltimore	15	3	.833
Philadelphia	13	6	.684
Pittsburg	11	6	.647
Cincinnati	13	7	.631
Louisville	9	6	.600
Boston	9	9	.500
Cleveland	9	10	.473
New York	6	9	.400
Brooklyn	6	11	.353
Chicago	6	13	.333
Washington	5	13	.294
St. Louis	4	14	.222

The Browns shut the Orioles out the first inning yesterday, but after that the Orioles averaged nearly three rounds an inning, while the Browns only scored one every three innings, which was not sufficient. Joe Corbett pitched for the Orioles, and proved too much for the Brown.

Cuffy pitched the winning game for Cleveland yesterday and held the Boston team down to four hits.

The Reds yesterday won their third successful game from the Giants. Where is Rusie?

The only runs scored in the Pittsburg-Washington game yesterday were two made by Pittsburg in the second inning. Tannehill pitched for the Victors.

W. L. I. Anniversary.

The Wilmington Light Infantry held a meeting Friday night to arrange a programme for the celebration of their 44th anniversary at Ocean View Thursday, the 20th. An invitation was extended to Capt. W. E. Craighill and Lieutenant Edgar Jadwin, of the United States army, to the Naval Reserves, reserve corps, and the press.

The committee of arrangements consists of Capt. D. MacRae, First Lieutenant C. H. White, Second Lieutenant R. H. Cowan and Privates J. S. Hooper and Richard Bradley.

The company and invited guests will leave on the 2.30 train for Ocean View, where there will be a target practice with a handsome prize for the best shot in the two organizations.

Refreshments will be served, and every endeavor used to make the day a most enjoyable one.

Sale of the C. T. & O. Railroad.

Mr. John R. Turrentine, Jr., was the purchaser of the Carolina, Tennessee & Ohio Railroad, sold at auction yesterday at Southport by virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of New Hanover county. The amount bid was $10,000, the sale to be confirmed by the court. There were other bidders, two of whom were Mr. Carl Grubnan, of Philadelphia, and Mr. T. H. Wallace, of New York. They, with Mr. J. T. Adams, receiver for the Union Construction Company, and Mr. Frank H. Blodgett, returned from Southport yesterday and will leave for their homes to-day. Mr. J. T. Adams, receiver, gives the information that work on the road will be resumed shortly and that the road will probably be completed from Wilmington to Southport within a period of four months.

DIED.

BRIDGER—At Bladenboro, N. C., on the afternoon of the 13th inst., BOLLIE STONE, infant son of Robt. L., and Emma Bridger.

Our darling babe is in Paradise to-night,
In face all shining with radiant light,
Brightest and best of that glorious throng
Center of all and the theme of our song.

PEARSALL—At Marshville, N. C., May 13th, Mrs. SARAH PEARSALL, in the 79th year of her age.

Funeral from St. Andrew's Church to-day at 12.45 o'clock. Interment at Oakdale Cemetery.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

Carolina Beach Pleasure Club

IS NOW OPEN FOR ACCOMMODATION OF A members. The management will spare no pains to make this one the most enjoyable of the club. Ladies and Gentlemen friends are cordially invited to come down and try their hands at the Ten Pins, Billiards and Pool. H. A. KURZ, Manager.
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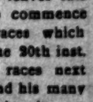
For Rent.



COTTAGES AT OCEAN VIEW and Carolina Beach.

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my 9 tf

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AT COWAN'S NEWS DEPOT TO-DAY CAN be found "Harper's Weekly," "Standard," "Puck," "Judge," "Truth" and other illustrated papers, besides many story papers. A full stock of N. Y. dailies. Either the "Journal" or the "World" for two cents. Beach's June Rail Guide for 1897 just received. my 9 tf

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Lewiston	"	27 00	19 80	14 40
Louisburg	"	26 25	19 25	14 00
Maxton	"	26 25	19 35	14 00
Monroe	"	25 50	18 60	13 75
Pittsboro	"	27 00	19 80	14 25
Raleigh	"	26 25	19 25	14 00
Rutherfordton	"	24 60	18 05	12 75
Sanford	"	26 35	19 35	14 00
Shelby	"	24 60	18 05	12 75
Statesville	"	25 25	19 05	13 50
Weldon	"	26 75	19 35	14 00
Wilmington	"	26 35	19 35	14 00

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Sale of Valuable Phosphate Lands and MACHINERY.

ON MONDAY, JUNE 7TH, 1897, AT THE County Court House door in the city of Wilmington, county of New Hanover and State of North Carolina, we will sell at public auction to the highest bidder the following property of the North Carolina Phosphate Company, to-wit: A certain tract of land in the said county of New Hanover, beginning at the North side of the bridge over Prince George's creek on the Wilmington and Newbern road, and running thence Northwestwardly with said road to its intersection with the land of the Wilmington and Weldon Railroad Company, thence N. 70 4 g. 12 minutes E. 33 chains

The Morning Star.

By WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUNDAY MORNING, MAY 16, 1897

CONTRACTING THE CURRENCY.

It seems that some of the Republican statesmen, who have doubtless held consultation with the Wall street magnates, have struck on a plan to retire the greenbacks and Sherman notes and lock them up without waiting for any action by Congress or any authority from Congress so to do. It will be necessary to carry out this programme to accumulate a large surplus in the Treasury which may be used in paying current expenses, making it unnecessary to use the greenbacks and Sherman notes which have been presented for redemption, all of which will consequently go into the Treasury vaults, there to remain. This is one of the secrets of the large increase of duties in the Dingley bill, which provides for many millions more than will be needed to make good the deficiency. They want not only money enough to meet all the demands of the Government, but enough to leave a large surplus, which is to be drawn upon if need be, so that the redeemed greenbacks and Sherman notes may be taken out of circulation and permanently locked up.

A short while ago we referred to a visit of Secretary Gage to Wall street, and to the suggestions understood to have been made to him at that time by the money kings who make that their headquarters. It seems that Secretary Gage was agreeable and is now following the suggestions of the Wall street monarchs. This means eventually, if the plan succeeds, the locking up of about $500,000,000 of Government notes, nearly $350,000,000 of which have been doing full duty as money for the past thirty-five years. Of course this will be done only slowly, but if there should be a sufficiently large surplus in the Treasury it can be done rapidly, for then all the contractionists who want to get rid of the greenbacks and Sherman notes will have to do will be to present their notes at the subtreasuries or Treasury and get the gold for them, the notes being bundled up and consigned to the vaults to see the light no more if they can be kept there. The Washington correspondent of the New York *Journal* thus tells how they have begun to play this game:

"Secretary Gage has given instructions to United States Treasurer Morgan and the several sub treasurers to impound as far as possible all greenbacks and Sherman notes. His policy is to keep these two classes of currency locked up in the Treasury and to use, in meeting the current expenses of the Government, silver and silver certificates.

"In pursuance of this policy, during the past two weeks the greenbacks held in the Treasury have increased from $29,087,000 to $34,189,000, and Sherman notes from $24,443,000 to $25,803,000. During the same period there was redeemed of both classes of notes $6,768,000, and while they were reissued only $350,000 were paid out by the Treasury.

"'Unless asked for,' said a Treasury official, 'we are not paying out greenbacks and Sherman notes.'

"An increase in the Treasury holdings of these two classes of currency is expected this week as the result of gold exports. Some Treasury estimates for Saturday's gold exports run as high as $3,500,000. To-day's withdrawals of $550,000 for export to-morrow reduces the gold reserve to $147,445,000."

But some of the gold men see through this game of a big surplus, and the contraction of the currency aimed at by locking up the redeemed notes and are vigorously denouncing it. Senator Gray, of Delaware, who was one of Cleveland's right-bowers and stood in with him and Carlisle and other gold-plated statesmen, is one who sees the danger and raises the cry of alarm. He is thus reported by the same correspondent of the *Journal* from whom we have quoted above:

"Nothing could more significantly cap the monument of financial folly, so laboriously erected by the Republican party during the past twenty-five years, than the proposal, now distinctly avowed, to tax the people for a huge surplus, beyond the necessities of governmental expenditure, to be held idle in the Treasury, and not restored to the channels of business and trade. The taxing power was never before threatened to be so ruthlessly and defiantly used. Every dollar thus takes from the pockets of the people will be unlawfully taken.

"The three hundred and forty-six millions of greenbacks, and the one hundred and fifty millions of Sherman Treasury notes payable on demand undoubtedly constitute a standing menace to the gold reserve, and consequently to the maintenance of a stable currency at par with gold.

"But the greenbacks are required by law to be reissued when they come into the possession of the Government. They can only be retired by authority of law, and can be safely retired only by such carefully contrived legislation as shall by a substituted currency avoid the distress of contraction.

"A bill which proposes on the one hand to take millions by way of taxation out of the pockets of the people to be paid as bounties to favored classes, and on the other to take additional millions beyond the requirements of governmental expenditure, to lie idle in the Treasury and thereby produce a contraction of the currency, would seem to lack any feature that could commend it to popular favor.

"Such a bill runs athwart every conviction of my life and should be a challenge to every Democrat who understands and loves the principles of his party to unfriendly warfare in behalf of the people whom it threatens to oppress.

"Principles cannot be compromised and true Democrats cannot be cajoled into surrender to the party of privilege and plutocracy. The Democrats of the Senate, I believe, stand together on this line."

The law which was passed for the express purpose of preventing such contraction of the currency as is here contemplated requires the reissuing of the redeemed greenbacks, but not the Sherman notes, for they were not in existence when the law was passed, but they propose to evade the law, while appearing to obey it, by paying out a few of the greenbacks, just enough to keep up the appearance of reissuing them. If they could get a sufficient number of them locked up to enable them to easily control the remainder, and could elect a Congress which could be persuaded to repeal the law requiring the reissuing, the game would be a success and they would have it all in their own hands. One of the arguments that would be used in Congress to support the movement for repeal would be the amount of greenbacks locked up for which there was no use, which would be the reason assigned for not reissuing them.

Of course the men who are playing this game and the administration which through the Secretary of the Treasury co-operates with them will oppose replacing those redeemed notes with silver or with State bank notes or any other notes that they cannot control, for contraction is what they are after, to make the money they have more valuable. It is much easier to appease the hunger of the ravenous wild beast than it is the insatiate greed of the Shylock.

With such object lessons as this perhaps our gold Democratic friends may catch on after awhile, as Senator Gray seems to be doing, and grasp the true indwardness of the "sound money" cry which caught its inspiration from Wall street.

MINOR MENTION.

There never was much doubt that when Cecil Rhodes sent Dr. Jameson to invade the Transvaal he had the secret endorsement of Colonial Secretary Chamberlain, who, when the expedition came to grief, denied all knowledge of it, as Cecil Rhodes denied all responsibility for it, although he afterwards in the farcical Parliamentiary investigation, where he posed as a hero, assumed all the responsibility and instead of meeting with reproof went back with flying colors and began to lay his plans for further assaults and encroachments upon the territory of the Boers. In this he has the co-operation of Chamberlain, who is seeking or trying to make a pretext to carry out those plans. The Transvaal Government is aware of this and has quietly been putting itself in position to resist any open movement that may be made. As colonization of Englishmen was part of the programme the Boer parliament passed a law restricting immigration, and applying conditions that would practically make the English colonists subjects of the Republic and not of Great Britain. The British Government objected to this as a violation of treaty, and to avoid giving a pretext for encroachment which Chamberlain sought the Transvaal parliament repealed the act, but insisted on the right to pass and enforce it. President Kruger proposes if Great Britain does not take this view of it to submit it to arbitration, and this puts Mr. Chamberlain in a sling for it removes the pretext for war; and if the proposition be accepted, it will be a recognition of the Republic's right to legislate without consulting Great Britain. As far as tact and management are concerned, thus far cool-headed Paul is on top.

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According to a late dispatch the planters and other employers of labor in the Hawaiian islands have entered into an agreement to employ American in preference to European or Asiatic labor, in which they will have the support of the Government. The object of this is to encourage American immigration and discourage immigration from other, but especially Asiatic countries. The Government is doing all it can now to restrict Asiatic immigration by the stringent enforcement of immigration laws, and this it is which has recently caused some friction between it and the Government of Japan, which claims that under treaty Japanese emigrants have an unrestricted right of entry to and domicile in Hawaii. Under the monarchy a large immigration of Asiatics was not such a serious matter, but under a Republic with the right of suffrage, which cannot well be given to immigrants of our nationality and denied to those of another it is a more serious matter, for it would be but a question of time, and no long time, either, when the Japanese would have the Government absolutely in their possession, and make Hawaii a mere dependency of Japan. This is what the Hawaiian Government fears and dreads, and this is why it is so anxious for annexation to the United States, which is its only hope.

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The report on the increase of exports from Southern ports for the nine months ending with March, as compared with the corresponding period of last year, makes a gratifying exhibit. One of the encouraging features in it is that while the increase in a few instances is due to the larger cotton shipments the increase in the others comes from shipments of Western grain, flour, meats, &c., a business which has grown from practically nothing to immense proportions in the past few years. The old theories about grain heating, meat spoiling, &c., in transit through the warm climate of the South and across the warm waters of the Gulf have been exploded, and now it is simply a question of the ability to handle the Western products to be shipped. The facilities in this respect are constantly improving with the railroad betterments and closer connections, better wharfage and elevator equipment, additional vessels to the lines already established, and the improvement of harbors, some of which that a few years ago would admit vessels of light draft only now float the largest sea-going ships. There is a great future before our Southern ports.

The Asheville *Citizen* referring to a rumor that George Vanderbilt intended to live abroad for many years, quotes a friend of his as saying that there was no truth in the report, that "Biltmore is the dearest spot on earth to him." It cost about $10,000,000. We don't blame George. Even omitting the mountain scenery and Bill Nye's "broad expanse of climate," and Bro. Cameron's "wine tonic" atmosphere, if we had a ranche like that we'd stick to it.

Some of the Texas office seekers have been to see the President so often and got so well acquainted with him that they are striking him for loans to pay expenses while waiting for that appointment. This, considering the number of Texas patriots in Washington, ought to hurry him up.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Salisbury *Sun*: Mr. E. B. McKenzie tells us to day that he has one hundred acres of fine wheat now out in heads. He says some of it will be ripe by June 1st.

— Wilson *Times*: Mr. L. H. Fulcher, a well known and respected citizen, died at his home in this city last Tuesday afternoon. The deceased has long been a sufferer from Bright's disease.

— Red Springs *Citizen*: One of the saddest deaths this town has had for some time was that of young Mrs. Georgia Estelle Wallace, the wife of our popular Methodist minister, Rev. J. W. Wallace.

— Rockingham *Index*: Mr. John Standford, one of the oldest citizens in the county, died at his home about five miles west of Rockingham last Saturday. He had been in bad health for some time.

— Fayetteville *Observer*: Wednesday night when the north bound A. C. L. train pulled up at the station in this city several gentlemen, including an *Observer* reporter, were standing around the engine (No. 10), when some one called the attention of the rest of the party to a bloody substance on the side of the plow. There were many conjectures as to what the engine had struck, whether a human being or a beast. The engineer's attention was called to it, and he seemed much disturbed, though he said he was not aware of having struck anything. A doctor, who was in the party, examined the substance and gave his opinion that it was human brains. And so it turned out. The horrible truth was rumored yesterday that a Croatan was brained near Pembroke by the northbound train Wednesday night.

— Newbern *Journal*: A very severe hail storm occurred yesterday (Friday) morning about 2 o'clock in the neighborhood of Scott's Hill, on the W., N. & N. R. R. The storm lasted for some time and did considerable damage to growing crops. The hail was as large as marbles, and fell so thick that it could be gathered up on a shovel. —— C. W. Hardison, a farmer of Croatan, while out in his cotton field a few days ago, had his attention attracted by a commotion in the field, which upon investigation proved to be a veritable snake chase, there being four black snakes as large around as a man's wrist and fully six feet long, which were hotly pursued by a huge king snake, as big around as a man's arm and over three yards in length. The pursued and pursuer raced across the field and soon disappeared in the woods. They gave no attention to the farmer or those in the field.

— Wadesboro *Messenger-Intelligencer*: A very sad accident, which resulted in the death of a ten year-old boy, occurred in Upper Richmond last Thursday. James Edward Morton, son of Mr. Jas. P. Morton, while alone in the house, got hold of a British bull dog pistol and while he was carelessly handling the same it was discharged, the ball striking him in the fore head just above the right eye. The boy lived only about 15 minutes after the fatal shot was fired. —— The M. & I. has seen and read of many remarkable eggs, but the most egg-straordinary specimen of hen thrt ever was is now on exhibition at Mr. Jas. A. Hardison's drug store. This egg, which was laid by a Plymouth Rock hen owned by Mr. W. L. Little, of White Store township, weighed seven ounces and in size measured 8 by 9½ inches. It is considerably larger than a turkey egg and is about the size of a very large goose egg. But size is not the only remarkable thing about this egg. It was accidentally cracked and then it was discovered that, covered by the outside shell, was concealed another egg of average size. This inner egg was also covered by a shell of the usual thickness.

QUARTERLY MEETINGS

For the Wilmington District of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South:

Grace church, May 16.
Bladen Street, at night, May 19.
Fifth Street, May 23.
Onslow, at Swansboro, May 27, 28.
Jacksonville and Richlands, at Richlands, May 29, 30.
Columbus, June 4.
Whiteville and Fair Bluff, at Fair Bluff, June 5, 6.
Waccamaw, June 8.
Kenansville, at Warsaw, June 10, 11.
Magnolia, June 13, 13.
Bladen, June 19, 20.
Elizabeth, at Carver's Creek, June 26, 27.

The District Conference will meet at Clinton and will embrace the second Sunday in July. R. C. BEAMAN, Presiding Elder.

Health and vigor are essential for success. Therefore make yourself strong and healthy by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla. †

HERE AND THERE.

A pair of chubby legs
Incased in scarlet hose;
A pair of little stubby boots,
With rather doubtful toes;
A little kilt, a little coat—
Cut as a mother can—
And lo! before us stands in state
The future's "coming man."

His eyes, perchance, will read the stars,
And search their unknown ways;
Perchance the human heart and soul
Will open to their gaze:
Perchance their keen and flashing glance
Will be a nation's light—
Those eyes that now are wistful bent
On some "big fellow's" kite.

Those hands—those little, busy hands—
So sticky, small and brown;
Those hands whose only mission seems
To pull all order down;
Who knows what hidden strength may be
Within their tiny clasp,
Though now 'tis but a taffy stick
In sturdy hold they grasp?

Ah, blessings on those little hands,
Whose work is yet undone;
And blessings on those little feet
Whose race is yet unrun!
And blessings on the little brain
That has not learned to plan;
Whate'er the future holds in store,
God bless the "coming man."

—*Summerville Journal.*

SUNDAY SELECTIONS.

— God often deems that a failure which men call success.

— Too many start to follow Christ who stop at the first cross roads.

— Solomon's wisdom did not save him from Solomon's weakness.

— The safest mode of acting is to employ ourselves with our nearest duty.

— God is as sure to reward true faith to-day as he was when Abraham offered up Isaac.

— It is nobler to be shabby and honest than to do things handsomely in debt.—*J. H. Ewing.*

— Resting in the Lord is the highest qualification for doing whatever the Lord wants done.

— Knowledge without zeal is not worth much to the Master's cause. But zeal without knowledge is sometimes very hurtful to the cause of religion.

— No one is truly rich who has not wealth of love, wealth of sympathy, wealth of good-will for men. No one knows what luxury is who has not enjoyed the luxury of doing good. No one has real happiness who has not the happiness of making others happy.—*American.*

— Of all the senseless babble I have ever had occasion to read, the demonstrations of those philosophers who undertake to tell us about the nature of God would be the worst. If they were not surpassed by the still greater absurdities of the philosophers who try to prove that there is no God.—*Professor Huxley.*

— Some people save all their courtesy and kindness for those that have the least claim upon them. We have known men who were polite and considerate enough in dealing with strangers, but who were also as rude as bears toward their own wives and children. To say that this is all wrong is to waste words in stating a most evident truism. The first demand of duty is that we should be nobly thoughtful of the rights and interests of those that stand closest to us in the ranks of life. No diligence of service to the outside world can be a just offset to the lack of devotion to one's own household.—*C. Advocate.*

TWINKLINGS.

— Robson—So you were married on the day of the election, were you? You didn't vote, then?

Yabsley—No; I was paired."—*Tit-Bits.*

— "This is a great country for the self-made man," said the visiting foreigner.

'Oh, yes," assented the native. "Especially the self-made nobleman."—*Indianapolis Journal.*

— "I think the retreat from Larissa was the most natural."

"Why?"

"As soon as Turkey made it hot for Greece, why, of course, the latter ran."—*Philadelphia North American.*

— Wedwell—Why don't you get married?

Singall—Alas! I am too poor.

Wedwell—Hugh! When I was your age I was so poor I had to marry.—*Cincinnati Enquirer.*

— "Mother," said Mrs. Smarton, "says the smell of stale tobacco makes her sick."

"Ah!" said Mr. Smarton, filling his pipe. "So she has concluded, she says, that she will stay until she gets used to it, if it takes all Summer.—*Indianapolis Journal.*

— In Boston—"If you move," said the burglar, 'you are a dead man."

"I beg your pardon," answered the other.

'If I move it will be good proof that I am alive. You should be more careful as to the meaning of your words."—*Youth's Companion.*

— "McGibbs is a contemptible creature."

'In what particular way?'

"Well, he is the kind of man who would send another man a Sunday newspaper without marking the article he wants him to read."—*Chicago Times-Herald.*

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— There are numerous reasons for believing the gold Democrats are becoming awfully tired of their outing.—*Washington Post, Ind.*

—— The threat of the rich men of New York to leave the state if the inheritance tax bill becomes a law is a bluff. The pickins are too good in Gotham.—*Atlanta Journal, Dem.*

—— In connection with a revival of prosperity, it is well for a senator who takes an interest in the markets to be cautious about trying to become prosperous all at once.—*Washington Star, Ind.*

—— Mark Hanna might app'y for an injuction to prevent those Ohio millionaires becoming candidates for the United States Senate. He could set up the vested rights claim, take his case to a friendly court and make quite a showing.—*New York Journal, Dem.*

—— How will the Ohio Shepherds, who have gone wool mad, like the reduction in the Dingley rate on the wools they do produce, and the increase of the Dingley rates on the wools they don't produce, as proposed by the Senatorial revisers?—*Philadelphia Record, Dem.*

A Valuable Prescription.

Editor Morrison, of Worthington Ind., "Sua" writes: "You have a valuable prescription in Electric Bitters, and I can cheerfully recommend it for Consumption and Sick Headache, and as a general system tonic it has no equal." Mrs. Annie Stehle, 3035 Cottage Grove Ave., Chicago, was all run down, could not eat nor digest food, had a backache which never left her and felt tired and weary, but six bottles of Electric Bitters restored her health and renewed her strength. Prices 50 cents and $1 00. Get a Bottle at R. R. BELLAMY'S Drug Store. †

CHILDREN'S COLUMN.

MR. FIG RAISIN.

How to Make a Toothsome and Amusing Birthday Greeting.

For the construction of the fig and raisin man a plump fig, 16 raisins, 9 cloves and some sticks of cinnamon are needed; also 2 or 3 shelled almonds. Use the cinnamon sticks for the bones of his arms and legs, and string on them the raisins, as shown

in the picture. Another cinnamon stick makes his neck, and the cloves are used for the buttons of his coat, the tassel for his cap and his eyes. The almonds cut in strips make his nose and mouth, and can also supply him with fingers, although these are not shown in the picture. If put on a piece of gingerbread or cake, to keep it in position, coat his back with some sugar and water boiled to a thick syrup and press him into place. The lettering should be done with icing. If a card is used, the lettering can be done with pen and ink. He makes a very good birthday gift.—Adele Cline in Chicago Record.

Walking on Cracks.

Laurence Hutton in St. Nicholas, telling what boys did in old New York under the title of "A Boy I Knew," says: Johnny Robertson and the boy had one great superstition—to wit, cracks. For some now inexplicable reason they thought it unlucky to step on cracks, and they made daily and hourly spectacles of themselves in the streets by the eccentric irregularity of their gait. Now they would take long strides, like a pair of ostriches, and now short, quick steps, like a couple of robins; now they would hop on both feet, like a brace of sparrows; now they would walk on their heels; now on their toes; now with their toes turned in; now with their toes turned out, at right angles, in a splay footed way; now they would walk with their feet crossed, after the manner of the hands of very fancy, old fashioned piano players, skipping from base to treble—over cracks. The whole performance would have driven a sensitive drill sergeant or ballet master to distraction. And when they came to a brick sidewalk they would go all around the block to avoid it. They could cross Hudson street on the cobblestones with great effort and in great danger of being run over. But they could not possibly travel upon a brick pavement and avoid the cracks. What would have happened to them if they did step on a crack they did not exactly know. But, for all that, they never stepped on cracks—of their own free will.

A Butterfly's Tongue.

At first glance what would you call the queer object represented in the picture? It might be a doormat or a new kind of fried cake or a snake ready to strike. But it is none of these.

Last summer Professor George S. Moler of Cornell university caught a butterfly

and carefully removed its tongue. This he mounted upon a glass slide, lighted it properly and then photographed it through a microscope. And the picture shows exactly what a butterfly's tongue is like. As you will see, it is very long. This enables the insect to reach deep into flowers to suck up the honey. When not in use, the tongue is coiled up in the form shown in the picture.

An Opinion.

I don't know what my daddy does,
But I've a sort of whim
That when I get to be a man
I'd like to be like him.

For he's the finest chum I have.
It doesn't matter what
He does to me, I think he's best
Of all the friends I've got.

Why, even when he takes his hand
And spanks me, and I cry,
I cannot truly help but see
A look in daddy's eye

Which shows me—though he doesn't spare
My feelings with his hand—
He loves me more than anything
That lives on sea or land.

And so, I say, if sometimes I
Have little boys like his,
I hope that I'll be to them as
To me my daddy is.
—John K. Bangs in Harper's Round Table.

To Free Furniture From Moths.

"Upholstered furniture can be kept free from moths," a western upholsterer says in a pamphlet on the subject, "by taking the furniture outside about once a month and beating it thoroughly with strips of ticking about an inch wide attached to a piece of broom handle. Should one hit the wood hard with this it will not mar it, while the regular rattan and wire beaters mar more parlor frames, ruin more covers and break up more inside filling than a dozen children could do. The main reason we have moths is we are always going to beat out our upholstery furniture, but rarely get around to it. Clothing, including furs, to be stored in the wardrobe during summer can be kept entirely exempt from attack if put into new flour sacks, linen sacks or anything of that nature and tightly tied so that a moth cannot enter at the mouth. Chests serve the same purpose when tight enough to prevent the moths from entering."

Convertible Nightgown.

The sequel to the folding bed is the convertible nightgown. Fold up the bed and you have the cheval glass. Shake out the nightgown, add a ruffle or so, and behold the negligee. And the belle who has learned the secret of perfect repose, so that the gown in question emerges unrumpled from the beauty sleep, may be as Parisian as she pleases in her hours for morning coffee and boudoir calls without change of raiment.—Exchange.

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Tired

Feeling by great force of will. But this is unsafe, as it pulls powerfully upon the nervous system, which will not long stand such strain. Too many people "work on their nerves," and the result is seen in unfortunate wrecks marked "nervous prostration," in every direction. That tired

Feel-

ing is a positive proof of thin, weak, impure blood; for, if the blood is rich, red, vitalized and vigorous, it imparts lifeand energy to every nerve, organ and tissue of the body. The necessity of taking Hood's Sarsaparilla for that tired feeling is, therefore, apparent to every one, and the good it will do you is equally beyond question. Remember that

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Wholesale Prices Current.

The following quotations represent Wholesale Prices generally. In making up small orders higher prices have to be charged.

The quotations are always given as accurately as possible, but the Star will not be responsible for any variations from the actual market price of the articles quoted.

BAGGING—			
2 ℔ Jute		@	8
Standard		@	6¾
WESTERN SMOKED—			
Hams ℔ ℔	12	@	14
Sides ℔ ℔	8	@	9
Shoulders ℔ ℔	6	@	6¼
DRY SALTED—			
Sides ℔ ℔		@	5½
Shoulders ℔ ℔		@	5
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each	1 00	@	1 10
New New York, each	1 35	@	1 40
New City, each	1 30	@	1 40
BEESWAX ℔ ℔	22	@	23
BRICKS—			
Wilmington ℔ M	5 00	@	7 00
Northern	9 00	@	14 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina ℔ ℔	10	@	16
Northern	18	@	25
CORN MEAL—			
Per Bushel, in sacks	35@	@	45½
Virginia Meal	35	@	40½
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle		@	85
CANDLES—℔ ℔—			
Sperm	18	@	25
Adamantine	8	@	10
CHEESE—℔ ℔—			
Northern Factory	12	@	13½
Dairy, Cream	14	@	14½
State		@	10
COFFEE—℔ ℔—			
Laguyra	20	@	
Rio	19½	@	15
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard		@	6¾
Yarns, ℔ bunch	18	@	60
EGGS—℔ dozen	8	@	10
FISH—			
Mackerel, No 1, ℔ barrel	22 00	@	30 00
Mackerel, No 1, ℔ half-barrel	11 00	@	15 00
Mackerel, No 2, ℔ barrel	16 00	@	18 00
Mackerel, No 2, ℔ half-barrel	8 00	@	9 00
Mackerel, No 3, ℔ barrel	13 00	@	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 00	@	3 50
Mullets, ℔ half barrel	1 75	@	2 00
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00	@	3 50
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔		@	7½
Extra	3 25	@	3 50
FLOUR—℔ barrel—			
Low grade		@	4 00
Choice		@	4 50
Straight	4 60	@	5 00
Fine Patent	5 00	@	5 75
GLUE—℔ ℔—		@	8½
GRAIN—℔ bushel—			
Corn, from store, bags—White,	45	@	45½
Car load, in bags—White,	45½	@	45
Oats, from store		@	35
Oats, Rust Proof	45½	@	40
Cow Peas	50	@	50
HIDES, ℔ ℔—			
Green		@	5
Dry		@	8
HAY, ℔ 100 ℔s—			
Clover Hay	75	@	90
Rice Straw		@	50
Eastern		@	1 00
Western	90	@	95
North River		@	85
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔		@	5
LARD, ℔ ℔—			
Northern	5½@	@	6
North Carolina	6	@	10
LIME, ℔ barrel	1 15	@1	20
LUMBER(city sawed), ℔ M feet—			
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00	@	20 00
Rough-edge Plank	15 00	@	16 00
" " in bins, according to quality	13 00	@	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00	@	22 00
Ceiling and Shed, common	14 50	@	15 00
MOLASSES, ℔ gallon—			
Barbadoes, " in hhds		@	30
" " in bbls		@	35
Porto Rico, in hhds	26	@	28
" " in bbls		@	33
Sugar-House, in hhds	23	@	24
" " in bbls	24	@	25
Syrup, in bbls	15	@	15
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut 20d basis	1 60	@1	65
PORK, ℔ barrel—			
City Mess		@	9 50
Rump		@	9 00
Prime		@	8 00
ROPE, ℔ ℔	10	@	11
SALT, ℔ sack Alum		@	60
Liverpool		@	85
Ashton		@	
American		@	60
On 100 ℔ Sacks	60	@	65
SHINGLES, 7 inch, ℔ M	2 50	@	3 00
Common	1 50	@	2 00
Cypress	3 00	@	3 50
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Grans'd		@	4¾
Standard A		@	4¾
White Ex C		@	4¼
Extra C, Golden	4	@	4
C, Yellow		@	3¾
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern	2½@	@	6
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	2 00	@	14 00
R. O. Hogshead		@	12 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping		@	9 00
Mill, Prime		@	7 00
Mill, Fair	6 50	@	8 00
Common Mill	4 00	@	5 00
Inferior to Ordinary		@	3 00
SHINGLES, W. C. Cypress sawed ℔ M feet, heart—	7 00	@	8 00
Sap	5 00	@	6 00
5-2d4 Heart	4 50	@	5 00
Sap	4 00	@	4 50
5-2d0 Heart	3 00	@	3 50
Sap	2 50	@	3 00
TALLOW, ℔ ℔		@	3½
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon—	1 22	@	1 23
North Carolina	1 22	@	1 23

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, May 15.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market steady at 25¼ cents per gallon for machine-made casks, and 24¾ cents for country casks.

ROSIN—Nothing doing.

TAR—Market firm at $1.05 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market steady; $1 20 per barrel for Hard, 1 80 for Dip and 1 90 for Virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine dull, 23¾; 23½c; rosin dull, $1 35, 1 40; tar, steady, $1.05; crude turpentine steady, $1 80, 1 70, 1 80.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	90
Rosin	271
Tar	190
Crude Turpentine	34

Receipts same day last year—163 casks spirits turpentine, 399 bbls rosin, 856 bbls tar, 40 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 7¼c for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	5½	cts ℔ ℔
Good Ordinary	6½	" "
Low Middling	7¼	" "
Middling	7¾	" "
Good Middling	7 13-16	" "

Same day last year, middling 7¾c.

Receipts—19 bales; same day last year 10.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina—Prime, 60@65c per bushel of 28 pounds; Extra Prime, 65c; Fancy, 75c. Virginia—Extra Prime, 45@50c; Fancy, 50c.

CORN—Firm; 43½@45 cents per bushel.

ROUGH RICE—65@70 cents per bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; Hams, 8 to 9c per pound; Shoulders, 6 to 7c; Sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five inch, hearts and saps, $1.60 to 2.25; six inch, $2.25 to 3.25; seven inch, $3.50 to 4.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $5.00 to 8.50 per M.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, May 15—Evening.—Money on call easy at 1¼@1½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper quoted at 3½@4 per cent. Sterling exchange was easy; actual business in bankers' bills at 487¼@487½ for demand 486¼@486¾ for sixty days. Posted rates 487 and 488@488¼. Commercial bills 485¾@485¾. Silver certificates — Government bonds were firmer; fives, registered, 113; fives, coupon, 113¼; fours registered, 110¾; fours, coupon, 113¼; twos, registered, 96. State bonds dull; North Carolina sixes 124; North Carolina fours 103. Railroad bonds firm.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, May 15.—Rosin steady; strained common to good $1 65. Spirits turpentine steady at 28@28½c.

CHARLESTON, May 15.—Spirits turpentine nominal at 25½c; no sales. Rosin firm; no sales; quotations: B, C, $1 25, D, E $ 30, F G $1 35, H $1 50, I $1 55, K $1 65, M $1 65, N $1 75, W G $1 85, W W $2 00.

SAVANNAH, May 15.—Spirits turpentine firm at 25½c; sales of 357 casks; receipts 1,193 casks. Rosin firm at the advance; sales 2,593 barrels; receipts 2,681 barrels; A, B, C, D $1 40, E $1 47½, F $1 53½, G $1 57½, H $1 65, I $1 70, K $1 80, M $1 85, N $2 00, W G $2 25, W W $2 50.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, May 15.—The cotton market was narrow and uninteresting to-day. The opening call showed a loss of one to three points, cables being disappointing and private weather and crop news showing a bearing average. After fluctuating within a range of four points or less, the market closed steady, with prices finally showing a net gain of one point to a net loss of one point, the old crop positions being relatively firmer. Following the continued strength shown by the spot department a further advance of 1-16c was made on spot quotations.

NEW YORK, May 15—Cotton contracts opened steady at a decline of 1 to 3 points under disappointing cables, after which there was steadier feeling, but trading was slack. There was some selling for New Orleans account. There was little interest shown by foreign traders. It was a small local market throughout the session. At the close the tone was steady at a net 1 point lower to 1 point higher, with total sales of 38,000 bales. Estimated receipts at the ports to-day 3,000 bales spinning, against 4,740 last week and 4 549 last year. This week 30,000 bales, against 41,447 last week and 35,135 last year. Memphis 100 bales, last year 185; Houston 500 bales, last year 345.

NEW YORK, May 15—Evening.—Cotton quiet and firm; middling 7⅝c.

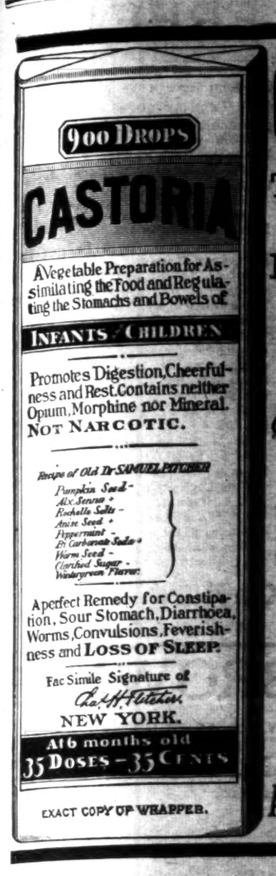
Cotton futures closed steady; sales 36,000 bales; January 6 93, February 6 96, March 7 00, May 7 43, June 7 43, July 7 46, August 7 38, September 7 04, October 6 86, November 6 85, December 6 88.

Spot cotton closed quiet and firm at 1-16c advance; middling uplands 7⅝c; middling gulf 8¼c; sales of 487 bales.

Cotton—net receipts — bales; gross — bales; exports to Great Britain — bales; to France — bales; to the Continent — bales; forwarded — bales; sales — bales; sales to spinners 487 bales; stock (actual) 169,813 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 8,890 bales; exports to Great Britain 385 bales; to France — bales; to the Continent 8 199 bales; stock 400 661 bales.

Total since September 1—Net receipts 6 332 372 bales; exports to Great Britain 2,910,763 bales; exports to France 672 849 bales; exports to the Continent 1



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WOMAN AND HOME.

COUNTESS ABERDEEN, "THE FIRST LADY OF CANADA."

The Mother as a Home Nurse—The Use of Coal—The Rocking Chair Spine—Keeping a House Clean—Carrying Her Own Hat—The Old Fashioned High Tea.

The Countess of Aberdeen as the wife of the governor general of Canada takes precedence at all functions honored by her presence in social or official life in the Dominion. She is "the leading lady" of Canada. The Countess of Aberdeen, however, does not pose as a "butterfly of fashion." She does not set the fashion for Ottawa women, much less the women of Canada; neither does she hold court with the extravagance of some of her predecessors. Nevertheless the Aberdeens are very wealthy and could well afford to dazzle the Canadian people with magnificent entertainments. Her ladyship's inclinations are toward the elevation of her sex, and a large share of her time is devoted to the work of the National Council of Women, of which she is president. It was she who introduced that organization into Canada, and the numerous branches which have been organized are the result of Lady Aberdeen's earnestness. She is a good woman, devoted to her family, and discharges the social duties of Rideau Hall with that graciousness expected from the mistress of the noble house of Aberdeen. She dresses with perfect taste, richly on occasions, and very plainly in everyday life.

Isobel, countess of Aberdeen, is a daughter of the first Lord Tweedmouth, and long before she came to Canada was prominent-

LADY ABERDEEN AND HER SONS.

ly identified with movements for the elevation and enfranchisement of women. The Aberdeens came to Canada in 1891 and spent the summer of that year in Hamilton, Ont. They traveled much, and while in British Columbia Lord Aberdeen bought a tract of 16,500 acres in the valley of Lake Okanagan. Before coming to Canada Lady Aberdeen had founded the Onward and Upward society, an association having for its object the presentation of a higher ideal of life to working women. It was in a desire to improve the condition of her own servants that Lady Aberdeen's idea first took root. From this grew the association which now has a membership approaching 10,000. This busy woman's good work in the establishment of the Irish village at the World's fair at Chicago was only a continuation of the work in which she has been engaged for years as president of the Irish Industries' association. The labor involved was very great. She visited towns, villages and districts all over Ireland, selecting exhibits and suitable persons to take them in charge, and finally made it one of the most popular features on the Midway plaisance. Better than that, substantial benefits were reaped from the advertising by many an Irish lacemaker and artisan at home. Lady Aberdeen was a conspicuous figure at the World's fair, where she was elected president of the world's congress for women, and just before leaving England in 1893 for Canada—Lord Aberdeen having been called sooner than was expected to accept the post of governor general—she accepted, in succession to Mrs. Gladstone, the presidency of the National Women's Liberal Federation. This is distinctively a partisan office and is largely honorary, since she is prevented by absence from active participation in the ante-election work of the society.

Lord Aberdeen is a man of considerable wealth, as riches in England are considered, and has a long rent roll. But the noble mistress of Haddo House does not entertain with the lavishness of some of her predecessors. For that reason—there can be no other—Lady Aberdeen is not as popular in Ottawa as she is elsewhere in Canada. But she is a devoted wife, a fond and indulgent mother, and her three children, Lady Marjory, and the two handsome young Gordons whose frank faces are shown in the accompanying picture, idolise her.—Buffalo Express.

The Mother as a Home Nurse.

While the children are small the mother is, of course, the family nurse.

For many reasons this is as it should be, perhaps, but for a greater number the mother is the very last person to undertake the work, both on her own account and on that of the child she is to nurse.

In the first place, the mother argues in favor of her affection for the child, while this same affection is the greatest argument against her real efficiency. By reason of her very feeling she is prevented from doing firmly and regularly all that is required in nursing. She "nags her judgment" when strict attention to orders is necessary. The patient cries and whines, and unless she is an exceptional mother the teaspoonful of bitter medicine is either made very scant or the time for taking is delayed. She resorts to coaxing and cajoling and persuading, all of which is deleterious to the patient and retards convalescence by inducing a condition of excitement.

A nurse trained for the purpose, or even an obliging neighbor or relative, is of far more advantage all around. She can see and will see that there is great regularity of treatment in the sickroom. She, having her mind free from other household arrangements and management, can give her undivided attention to the patient. And she can do it with far less mental and physical strain than can the mother.

While the mother is making Mary's bed or administering her medicine she has her ears constantly open to listen for baby's cries and her nose constantly tilted to catch the odors ascending from the kitchen, for only in this way from her isolated perch can she judge whether the meals are being hurried or even being started on time. Her mind is in a constant strain devising plans, laying out future work, wondering what the children are at and tending the patient. What wonder that the last imbibes from her nurse a restless frame of mind which affects her whole system, for, little as one may believe it, nothing is more quickly communicated to a patient than the mental atmosphere of the nurse.

Now, then, for the mother herself.

Housekeeping, with its multiform duties and demands, is, if well conducted, enough for one woman to contend with. Add to this the conditions previously spoken of, and what wonder that the illness of the nurse so often follows that of the child or husband, and now some one must come in to take the mother's place. How much better to have a nurse for the first invalid, and thus avoid the probability of a second, by leaving the mother to pursue her regular avocations without the added physical and mental labor entailed by watching beside the sickbed of one near and dear. The mere wear and tear upon the affections in witnessing sufferings one is not able to relieve is in itself strain enough to break many down.

Hence, as we have argued, whoever may or may not be called upon to do it, a mother is the very last one to undertake the "home nursing."—Emma Churchman Hewitt in Home.

The Use of Coal.

A great many housekeepers do not know that there are two varieties of anthracite coal. The hard anthracite kindles slowly, but gives a lasting and strong fire. It may be recognized by its red ash. It is a far more economical coal to buy for the range than the more common white ash or soft anthracite. The soft anthracite, however, will do better in the grate because it makes a rather more luminous fire, possessing something of the brilliancy of bituminous coal, but none of its smoke.

The soft anthracite is distinguished from the hard anthracite by its white ash. Probably the cook will prefer the white ash coal because it comes up quicker in the morning.

There is about the same difference, however, in a fire made of pine or any soft wood and one made of hickory or oak as there is between a fire of white ash coal and one of red ash. The red ash coal gives out a more intense heat, insures a better oven and is a better fire for broiling. The best broiling is not done over coal, however, but over the redhot embers of a hickory fire. Even this fire is superseded now by the modern gas stove, where roasting and broiling are both done under the flame in a draft so that no taint of the gas can affect the meat.

The best kindling wood for a stove or range contains about equal amounts of hard and soft wood. It is utterly superfluous for any intelligent person to add kerosene or asbestos soaked in kerosene. The latter is a contrivance frequently offered to assist in kindling the fire and practically indestructible and safe. It leaves, however, an unpleasant odor, like all such patent fire kindlers, and its use is entirely unnecessary.

If the paper is crumpled loosely and the kindling wood laid in loosely so as to allow air to blow through the mass from beneath and reach the chimney through the drafts, there will be no difficulty in starting the fire. When the fire falls to burn, it is because there is some impediment to the drafts or because the kindling wood is damp.

The little bundles of kindling sold by the grocer are very apt to harbor water bugs and cockroaches, and for that reason careful housekeepers prefer to buy their wood by the quantity and keep it in the coal cellar. Where wood is needed for the fire in the morning it should be brought up the night before and left in the heating closet under the oven to dry. It is much more economical to buy wood by the cord or quarter cord than by the bundle.—New York Tribune.

The Rocking Chair Spine.

"Weaver's thumb" and "housemaid's knee" are quite familiar terms, especially to those who are fond of perusing journals, medical and hygienic, but the "rocking chair spine" is less talked of, possibly because it is one of the possessions of those dwelling in more affluent circles and is what may be classed among the luxuries in the way of disease.

But it is none the less a clearly defined ill, and one that often leads to consequences more serious than its primary condition might suggest.

Indolence and love of ease are the inciting causes of this affliction, and genuine spinal disease has in many instances been its unfortunate climax.

Strict hygienists and health culturists tell us that the rocking chair is an unmixed evil. It perpetually changes the equilibrium of the body and agitates the circulation. It injures the eyes, as it continually changes the focus of whatever one may be looking at. It so disturbs the brain that physicians have forbidden mothers and nurses to rock delicate babies.

It will thus be seen that the rocking chair begins its deadly mission very early in the lives of its victims, and it is equally true that they are very likely to keep up the mischief until they are ready to make their final exodus and slip from the rocking chair in to the grave.

The symptoms that first attract attention are a soreness and sensitiveness of the spine, usually that portion near or below the waist, and sometimes extending to the lower edges of the shoulder blades. There may be more or less indigestion accompanying it, and headaches are not infrequent.

The trouble arises from an improper position in sitting. Instead of keeping the spinal column in a perpendicular position the lower part is bent forward, as one lounges in a chair with a soft cushion. The strain on one side of the spine caused by its curved shape after a time produces irritation, and if long continued inflammation of a serious character ensues. While there may not be fatal consequences, there surely are much inconvenience and discomfort attending a weak or irritable state of the spinal column. Good health cannot exist with such a condition of affairs; neither can good spirits dwell in such a body. Persons who experience a sense of weakness or weariness or a dull ache in the back will do well to take thought if they may have been too devoted to the rocking chair and its luxurious cushions.

It is by physicians declared to be much better to rest either sitting upright or in a recumbent position rather than the lounging, half doubled up attitude that rocking chair devotees ordinarily assume. But the wide, welcoming arms of an easy chair are so alluring that it takes Spartan courage to give up such a delicious luxury.—New York Ledger.

It is not complimentary to the social abilities of one's guests to suppose that they cannot be amused without elaborate preparations. If a little palm is taken to bring congenial people together, they cannot fail to enjoy themselves.

Don't allow the youngster who is "surprisingly strong upon its feet" to bear its weight long at a time, no matter how anxious the proud parents may be to show it off. Remember the danger of weakened and twisted little legs.

To decorate a room with Japanese lanterns stretch ribbons from the four corners at the top of the wall to the chandelier and attach the lanterns to them.

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Keeping a House Clean.

The easiest and best way to keep a house clean is by daily attention to small things, and by not allowing it to get into such a state of dirtiness and disorder as to require great and periodical cleanings. Some mistresses and also some servants seem to have an idea that a house should undergo great bouts of washing and scrubbing every three months or so, on which occasions the house is turned almost inside out and the inmates are rendered most uncomfortable. Wooden floors, if kept in order by daily sweepings and other small attentions, may be effectually cleaned by washing them with warm water and soap. But if spots of grease are to be removed these should be previously taken out with fuller's earth.

Ink spots may be taken out with spirits of salts. Some women make a practice of ordering the floors of bedrooms to be frequently washed, but unless the weather be very fine or warm, in order to allow the window to be opened for thoroughly drying the room before night, it is best to pass only a damp mop lightly over the floor.

Brass and copper may be cleansed with sweet oil and tripoli powdered bath brick or rotten stone rubbed on with flannel. Afterward polish with leather. Spirits of salts make brass and copper very bright, but they will soon tarnish, and consequently require more frequent cleaning. Marble hearths and chimneypieces may be cleaned and polished as follows: Dissolve 4 ounces of pearl ash in a pint of water, then slake 2 ounces of freshly burned lime and form it into milk by the addition of another pint of water. Mix the two together and shake at intervals for a few hours. Next pour off the clear liquor, which is now a solution of caustic potash, and add to it 4 ounces of fine whiting. This should be well rubbed over the surface to be cleaned and left on for 12 hours. It should then be washed off with soap and water and a final polish given with a soft cloth. Under no circumstances should acid of any kind be applied to marble.—New York Journal.

Swallowing Foreign Bodies.

The American Medical and Surgical Bulletin, in an article on this subject, says that pins, safety pins, pebbles, jackstones, etc., swallowed by children need occasion no alarm, as they will pass through without harming the child. The greatest danger is from the castor oil with which the child is usually dosed in such cases. It is better to leave the bowels at rest and give gruel, crackers, baked potatoes, milk, anything which will constipate the child and make a pultaceous mass in which the foreign bodies will be embedded and carried through. When foreign bodies stick in the throat and the child is unable to swallow, it should receive an emetic, or the coin catcher should be introduced. This is a basketlike affair easily used. In one case both a 1 cent and a 2 cent piece were removed at the same time by this instrument.

A lodge for female Odd Fellows has lately been started in Tasmania. This is probably the first lodge of the sort formed for women in the whole world.

Rev. F. L. Baker of San Francisco, says, "The time has come when we need to put the right of suffrage in the hands of our mothers and daughters."

The British and Foreign Antislavery society has adopted resolutions commemorative of Harriet Beecher Stowe.

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DAILY 7.15 P M — No. 66—Passenger—Due Magnolia 6.35 p m, Warsaw 9.10 p m, Goldsboro 10.10 p m, Wilson 11.06 p m, †Tarboro 11.42 p m, Rocky Mount 11.57 p m, Weldon 1.44 a m, †Norfolk 10.30 a m, Petersburg 2.54 a m, Richmond 4.30 a m, Washington 7.41 a m, Baltimore 9.05 a m, Philadelphia 11.35 a m, New York 1.30 p m, Boston 4.30 p m.

SOUTHBOUND:

DAILY 3.05 P M — No. 65—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.32 p m, Chadbourn 5.04 p m, Marion 6.05 p m, Florence 6.45 p m, Sumter 8.41 p m, Columbia 10.05 p m, Denmark 6.30 a m, Augusta 8.10 a m, Macon 11.00 a m, Atlanta 12.15 p m, Charleston 12.30 p m, Savannah 10.50 a m, Jacksonville 7.30 a m, St. Augustine 10.30 a m, Tampa 5.45 p m.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 3.45 P M — No. 49—Passenger—Leave †Boston 1.00 p m, †New York 9.00 p m, Philadelphia 12.05 a m, Baltimore 3.50 a m, Washington 4.30 a m, Richmond 8.05 a m, Petersburg 10.00 a m, Norfolk 8.40 a m, Weldon 11.30 a m, Tarboro 12.13 p m, Rocky Mount 12.45 p m, Wilson 1.33 p m, Goldsboro 3.10 p m, Warsaw 4.05 p m, Magnolia 4.16 p m.

DAILY 9.45 A M — No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.30 a m, Philadelphia 12.09 p m, Baltimore 2.25 p m, Washington 3.45 p m, Richmond 7.30 p m, Petersburg 8.12 p m, †Norfolk 2.30 p m, Weldon 9.48 p m, †Tarboro 4.01 p m, Rocky Mount 5.40 a m, leave Wilson 6.30 a m, Goldsboro 7.08 a m, Warsaw 7.54 a m, Magnolia 8.07 a m.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 12.15 p m — No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 9.00 a m, Sanford 2.19 p m, Jacksonville 7 00 p m Savannah 12.45 night, Charleston 5.30 a m, Columbia 8.50 a m, Atlanta 8.30 p m, Macon 9.30 a m, Augusta 3.05 p m, Denmark 4.55 p m, Sumter 6.45 a m, Florence 7.35 a m, Marion 9.34 a m, Chadbourn 10.35 a m, Lake Waccamaw 11.06 a m.

†Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 4.10 p m, Halifax 4.35 p m, arrive Scotland Neck 5.30 p m, Greenville 6.57 p m, Kinston 7 55 p m. Returning, leaves Kinston 7 55 a m, Greenville 8.53 a m, Arriving Halifax at 11 13a m, Weldon 11 33 a m, daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 6.30 a m and 1 00 p m, arrive Parmele 9.10 a m and 3 40 p m; returning leave Parmele 9.35 a m and 6 30 p m, arrive Washington 11 00 a m and 7.30 p. m. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 p m, Sunday, 4 00 p m, arrives Plymouth 7.40 p m and 6 p m. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7 50 a m, and Sunday 9 a m. Arrive Tarboro 10.00 a m and 11 a m.

Train on Midland N C Branch leaves Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7 10 a m; arrive Smithfield N C., 8.30 a m. Returning, leaves Smithfield 9 00 a m, arrive Goldsboro, N. C., 10.25 a m.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 4.30 p m, arrives Nashville 5.05 p m, Spring Hope 5.30 p m. Returning leaves Spring Hope 8 a m, Nashville 8 35 a m; arrive Rocky Mount 9 05 a m, daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leaves Warsaw for Clinton Daily except Sunday at 6.30 a m and 4.10 p m; returning leave Clinton at 7.00 a m. and 9.00 p m.

Florence Railroad leave Pee Dee 9.10 a m, arrive Latta 9.30 a m, Dillon 9 45 a m, Rowland 10 00 a m, returning leaves Rowland 5 35 p m, arrives Dillon 5.50 p m, Latta 6.09 p m, Pee Dee 6.30 p m, daily.

Train on Conway Branch leave Hub at 8.30 a m, Chadbourn 10.40 a m, arrive Conway 1.00 p m, leave Conway 2 20 p m, Chadbourn 4.30 p m, arrive Hub 6.00 p m, Daily except Sunday.

Central of South Carolina Railroad leave Sumter 6 45 p m, Manning 7.10 p m, arrive Lane's 7 45 p m, leave Lanes 8.00 a m, Manning 8.30 a m, arrive Sumter 9.35 a m. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lanes 9.30 a m, 7 55 p m, arrive Georgetown 12 m, 9.14 p m, leave Georgetown 7 a m, 3 p m, arrive Lanes 8.28 a m, 5.35 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Chesaw and Darlington Railroad leave Florence daily except Sunday 8 55 a m, arrive Darlington 9 28 a m, Chesaw 10 40 a m. Wadesboro 2 25 p m, leave Florence daily except Sunday 5.10 p m, arrive Darlington 5.40 p m, Bennettsville 9.35 p m, Gibson 10 p m. Leave Florence Sunday only 9 a m, arrive Darlington 9.37 a m, Hartsville 10 10 a m.

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday 6 15 a m, Bennettsville 6 41 a m, arrive Darlington 7 40 a m. Leave Hartsville daily except Sunday 6 30 a m, arrive Darlington 7 15 a m, leave Darlington 7 45 a m, arrive Florence 8 10 a m. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 3 p m, Chesaw 5 15 p m, Darlington 6 37 p m, arrive Florence 6 55 p m. Leave Hartsville Sunday only 7 a m, Darlington 7 45 a m, arrive Florence 8 10 a m.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 3.05 p m, 11.16 p m, arrive Selma 3.50 p m, Smithfield 9.55 p m, Dunn 8.37 p m, Fayetteville 4.15 p m, 1.10 a m, Rowland 5.30 p m; returning leave Rowland 10.00 a m, Fayetteville 11.30 a m, 10.30 p m, Dunn 12.07 a m, Smithfield 12.45 p m, Selma 1.40 p m, arrive Wilson 1.45 p m, 12.10 a m.

Manchester & Augusta Railroad train leaves Sumter 6 00 a m, Creston 8 31 a m, arrive Denmark 8 50 a m. Returning leave Denmark 4 55 p m, Creston 5 47 p m, Sumter 6 40 p m. Daily.

Pregnalls Branch train leaves Creston 5 45 a m, arrive Pregnalls 9.15 a m. Returning leaves Pregnalls 10 p m; arrives Creston 2 50 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Bishopville Branch trains leave Elliott 11.10 a m and 7.46 p m, arrive Lucknow 1 p m and 8.48 p m. Returning leave Lucknow 4.05 p m and 2.00 p m, arrive Elliott 5.55 a m and 3.30 p m.

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NORTH BOUND		STATIONS.	SOUTH BOUND	
No. 78	No. 76		No. 77	No. 75
A M	P M	Wilmington Lv	P M	P M
7 00	3 10	Lv...Wilmington...Ar	12 30	6 05
7 30	3 40	Lv...Surry street...Ar	12 00	5 35
9 00	.....	Ar...Jacksonville...Lv	.....	12 05
11 00	5 30	Lv	10 00	10 00
11 05	5 35	Lv...Maysville...Ar	9 55	9 50
12 30	6 40	Lv...Pollocksville...Lv	8 25	8 20
1 30	8 15	Ar...Newbern...Lv	7 00	6 50
	P M		A M	A M

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ATLANTIC & NORTH CAROLINA RAILROAD

Time Table.

In Effect Wednesday, May 27th, 1896.

| GOING EAST. 2 Passenger Daily Ex Sunday. | | STATIONS. | GOING WEST. 4 Passenger Daily Ex Sunday. | |
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The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUNDAY MORNING, MAY 16, 1897

AMERICAN TOBACCO CO.

Illinois Court Declares It an Illegal Corporation and Prohibits Agents Carrying on Its Business in That State.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, May 15.—Judge Gibbons rendered a decision to-day declaring the American Tobacco Company an illegal corporation and prohibiting its agents from carrying on its business within the confines of this State. The decision sustains the information filed last December by Attorney General Moloney, asking that the American Tobacco Company be enjoined from selling paper cigarettes on the premises, that it was a trust, monopoly and conspiracy in the business.

The defendants filed demurrers general and special, but each was overruled in the exhaustive opinion handed down to-day. Representatives of the Tobacco Company who were in court announced that notice of an appeal to the Supreme Court would be given.

The plea of the Attorney General alleged that the American Tobacco Company manufactures and sells 95 per cent. of all the paper cigarettes manufactured in the United States, and is a combination in restraint of trade. The company filed a general demurrer, the main contention being that the State of Illinois is powerless to restrain a foreign corporation from shipping any article of commerce from one State to another, or from distributing or selling such article in the State to which the shipment is made.

The Court said that admitting that the facts alleged as to the business of the company and the manner in which it is carried on to be true, the question is whether it falls under the ban of outlawry pronounced against trusts by the Federal and State statutes.

The Court said that the power of self-preservation is inherent in Statehood. This gives the State the power to pass and enforce any law which is necessary and indispensable to the preservation and conservation of public health.

MILL MEN MEET.

Convention of Cotton Yarn Manufacturers at Charlotte—Agreement for Curtailment of Production.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., May 15.—A convention of cotton yarn manufacturers was held here to-day, about forty yarn mills being represented. A number of other cotton manufacturers also attended the meeting. An agreement was signed by which a curtailment in production of 25 per cent. will be made in yarns below twenties, this reduction to go into effect June 14th. Action was also taken to obtain a reduction in freight rates from Southern points to the markets of the North and West. Several railroad representatives were here, and the subject will be prosecuted vigorously. Action was also taken for the purpose of eliminating many extra charges which it has become the custom of commission houses to make or allow to purchasers of yarns. A special committee was appointed to look after labor legislation.

A permanent organization was effected, J. T. Anthony, of Charlotte, being made president and A. A. Rhyne, of Mount Holly, being made vice president. A board of seven directors was created and the directors were elected. The meeting adjourned subject to the call of the board of directors.

It seemed to be the sense of the meeting that a further reduction should be made, if necessary to so, in order to bring the price of yarns to a profitable basis.

THE TARIFF BILL.

Plan of Action Decided Upon by Democratic Members of the Senate Committee on Finance.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, May 15.—The Democratic members of the Senate Committee on Finance were in consultation to-day on the Tariff bill. They decided not to offer a substitute for the Finance Committee bill, but to propose amendments which, while they will reduce the rates would, if added to the rates of the Wilson law, produce sufficient revenue. They regard the committee's bill as a revenue producer and calculate that even without the proposed beer tax and tea duty, it would bring a surplus into the treasury. On the other hand, they regard the House bill as nearly prohibitive on many of the schedules and think that on this account it would be deficient in the production of revenue. The Democratic members are especially critical of the sugar, glass and wood schedules and expect to offer amendments to all of them.

SPANISH NEWSPAPERS

Disposed to Resent the Proposed Action by Congress for the Relief of Americans in Cuba.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

MADRID, May 15.—The *Heraldo*, referring to the possible action of the United States for the relief of Americans in Cuba, says: "The Spanish Government will have universal opinion on its side if it acts with energy in repelling American interference in our affairs, but this opinion will be hostile unless the Government ceases making concessions. These displays of weakness, if they do not increase the difficulty of solving the question, certainly do not improve the situation in Cuba."

The *Correspondencia* announces that the reported increase in the strength of the Spanish navy was decided upon in view of the possibility of international conflicts.

THREE WOMEN FIGHT.

Two Fatally and the Third Slightly Wounded.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

DALLAS, TEXAS May 15.—In a fight between three women employes of the Dallas cotton factory, two were fatally and the third slightly wounded. Mrs. Addie Turner quarrelled with a boy named Hulsey and struck him. Husley's two sisters who were standing nearby took sides with their brother. The boy was practically unhurt. His older sister, Mrs. Eva Bennett, was stabbed in the abdomen. Mrs. Etta Husley, the other sister was stabbed five times. Mrs. Turner was taken into custody.

At the State central hospital, near Petersburg, Va., an inmate named Ocho Templeton struck another inmate named Randolph King a blow on the head with a floor mop, from the effect of which he died. The assault was sudden and unprovoked.

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EUROPEAN WAR NEWS.

THE SULTAN POSTPONES HIS REPLY TO THE POWERS.

It Is Believed Will Not Stop Edhem Pasha Until Every Strategic Point Is in the Hands of the Turks—The Turkish Garrison at Prevesa Offers to Capitulate.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, May 15.—The Sultan's reply to the note of the ambassadors at Constantinople offering mediation, saying he would be ready to discuss the matter after the greater Bairam festival which ends on Sunday night, justifies the fear that the Powers have drawn a genl out of the war that it will not be easy to get back. Abdul Hamid's answer is cool almost to the point of insolence. It is that of a sovereign with a powerful army behind him and he is disposed to treat the Powers cavalierly.

Articles published in the semi-official press of the continent show that the increase in the prestige of the Sultan is the chief concern of the European cabinets and that the prospects of an effective enforcement of general reforms for the Turkish empire are thereby relegated to the very distant future.

The postponement of the Sultan's reply until after the great Bairam is interpreted as meaning that his Majesty intends that his army shall continue its victorious advance until every strategic point on the Othrys mountain range is in the hands of the Turks, and that only then will Edhem Pasha receive orders to stop fighting. The resumption of fighting by the Greeks in Epirus is regarded as a foolish move and only furnishes Turkey with a plausible motive for refusing an armistice. It also hinders the progress of the peace negotiations.

The chancelleries are also occupied with the difficult problem of how Greece will pay the indemnity which Turkey seems certain to demand.

An international commission, to administer the finances of Greece on the lines of the similar Turkish commission, is mooted. The Greek commission would, it is proposed, sit at Athens and talk over the Greek customs for the purpose of the Greek debt and possibly for the war indemnity.

ATHENS, May 15.—A private dispatch from Arta says that the Turkish garrison at Prevesa, at the northern entrance of the Gulf of Arta, which has been besieged by the Greek land and sea forces almost from the outbreak of the war, has sent the Greek Archbishop and five notabilities of Prevesa to the commander of the besieging Greek army with a message saying that the Turkish force is ready to capitulate to the regular forces of Greece.

The Greeks have been bombarding Nikopolis since early this morning.

The government has addressed a note to the ministers of the Powers saying that the Turks, by fortifying Griboro, are responsible for the operations in Epirus. The note accuses the Porte of inducing small vessels to commit piracy upon Greek ships.

A second batch of troops has been recalled from Crete, and it is announced the third and last detachment will soon be withdrawn.

The aides to the Crown Prince, who were recalled from Thessaly, upon their arrival at Piræus were received with ironical cheers.

In Friday's battle at Filippidis, 650 men were killed and twenty-eight officers wounded.

It is reported here the loss of prestige on the part of France at Constantinople and the German influence there is causing considerable anger.

CONSTANTINOPLE, May 15.—The sum of 16,000,000 pounds (Turkish) is mentioned here as the amount of the indemnity which Turkey will demand from Greece.

Placards have been posted in the Stamboul quarter protesting against the shedding of Mussulman blood, on the ground that the sacrifices imposed upon Turkey by the war are out of proportion to the advantages she can give.

PARIS, May 15.—It is stated that the delay of the Sultan of Turkey in arranging for a cessation of hostilities is due to the direct advice of Emperor William of Germany not to grant an armistice until the Greeks have again retreated.

GEORGE WASHINGTON.

A Monument to His Memory Erected in Philadelphia — President McKinley Took Part in the Ceremonies.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

PHILADELPHIA, May 15.—Here, in the city which first placed on his brows the laurel of achievement, the memory of George Washington was honored to-day in monumental bronze. All possible pomp marked the ceremonies. The cord which released the swaddling flags from the figure of the first ruler of the Republic was drawn by its latest ruler. Surrounding him were men in whose veins runs the blood of those first patriots who battled with Washington and with him made possible the scene enacted to-day. The union which they formed has grown to a mighty organization under the name of the Society of the Cincinnati.

Major William Wayne, President of the Cincinnati, who formally presented the monument to the city, traces his lineage straight to Mad Anthony, and William W. Porter, the orator of the day, is grandson of David Rittenhouse Porter, twice Governor of Pennsylvania, and a great grandson of Gen. Andrew Porter, who was on Washington's staff in the Revolution. The unveiling ceremony was impressively simple. Bishop Whitaker opened with prayer and Major Wayne followed with an appropriate address. Then came the unveiling by President McKinley and the salute of twenty-one guns by the artillery and by the foreign and American war vessels in the Delaware. This concluded, President McKinley spoke briefly. The oration was then delivered by Mr. Porter. The formal presentation of the memorial by the society to the city was made by Major Wayne to Mayor Warwick, with short addresses by both, and then the mayor transferred it to the Fairmount Park Commission, which body exercises jurisdiction over the great pleasure ground.

President McKinley and his distinguished companions reviewed the military parade. It was well-on in the afternoon when the procession was over and the party were driven to their hotels to dress for the banquet of the Society of the Cincinnati in the evening.

The night was devoted to various phases of celebration, apart from the dinner. The wheelmen's parade with nearly 20,000 in line was the principal feature. Illuminations from the monument, the city hall, the Union league and other points added to the brilliancy of the jubilee and closed the day in a blaze. The entire city along the line of the parade was elaborately decorated.

A dynamite bomb was hurled into a three-story brick business block at Huntington, W. Va., last night. No one was injured. The report was heard two miles away, and windows were broken in many places. The building was considerably damaged.

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THE CUBAN QUESTION.

PRESIDENT M'KINLEY WILL SEND A MESSAGE TO CONGRESS.

Concerning the Deprivations to Which American Citizens Are Subjected in Cuba, and Recommending an Appropriation for Their Relief.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, May 15.—The definite announcement was made at the Capitol to-day that a message on the Cuban situation will be sent to Congress by the President next Monday. It will deal specifically with the question of the deprivations to which American citizens are subjected in Cuba, and it will recommend an appropriation for their relief.

In considering ways and means of affording substantial relief to American citizens in Cuba who are in great distress owing to the war, the administration has a plan which may be put in operation if it is sanctioned by the judgment of the United States consular officers in Cuba who, being on the ground, are supposed to be better qualified to judge of the efficiency of proposed relief measures. This plan is to give notice through the American consuls to all American citizens in Cuba that the Government would undertake to remove them from the island to the United States if they so desire. To do this will require action by Congress, not necessarily in specific authorization of the removal but merely the limitation of the appropriation to the general terms of one for the relief of American citizens in Cuba. A similar plan was adopted with benefit in China during the rioting incident to the Chinese-Japanese war and during the Armenian troubles in Turkey.

The reason for this is the belief, founded on reports from United States Consul General Lee and other United States consular officers, that the war has so thoroughly exhausted the agricultural resources of the island that it will be a long time before it will be again in condition to maintain its population.

The proposed American exodus from Cuba must be purely voluntary, and it is not even proposed to present the alternative of denying supplies if destitute Americans refuse to leave the island. It is the belief of Gen. Lee that many persons will avail themselves of such an opportunity. So far as officially known to the department through the reports of the consuls made up to this time, the number of Americans in this condition is between 150 and 200. In explanation of this small number, it is said that most of the Americans, natives, living in Cuba, are employed in the higher branches of industries or professions and are not actual workers of the soil. The sufferers are mostly naturalized citizens, holding small parcels of ground upon which they have depended heretofore for a livelihood. It is not doubted that there are more of this class in need than are yet known to the department, but it is hoped in the course of a few days to have a census of them. The agencies to be used to relieve these people are the United States consuls in Cuba, and the Spanish Government through its minister here, has professed readiness to assist in the distribution of relief.

All the information which the State Department is receiving from official and unofficial sources confirms the published reports of the destitution existing in Cuba among those who are penned up in the towns. Absolute starvation is threatened, owing to the lack of food supplies. The reports also confirm the statements that many sufferers are American citizens, most of them of course naturalized, but there are also native born Americans. It is learned that the administration, when the facts as to the existing destitution in Cuba first came to the knowledge of the President, was disposed to move cautiously, as it was feared that precipitate action might irritate Spain and possibly endanger the lives of our consular officers when the character of their reports became known to the Spanish authorities and the subjects of Spain in Cuba.

NEWS FROM HAVANA.

A Mortuary Panic—Special Commissioner Calhoun Notifies the Spanish Government of His Arrival—Consul General Lee Protests Against Violation of American Mails.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

HAVANA, May 15, via KEY WEST, May 15.—The decision of the Government against the exchanging of bank bills for silver coin has caused a panic. Prices of bread, milk and other necessities of life have doubled within the past few days. The working classes, as well as all Government employes, both civil and military, openly express their dissatisfaction with the action of the Government in paying them in scrip which is 90 per cent. below par. It is believed the Government will no longer accept paper money in payment of taxes. In that event a further depreciation of the paper money may be expected.

Through Consul General Lee, W. J. Calhoun, the special commissioner appointed by the United States to investigate the killing of Dr. Ruiz, officially notified the Spanish Government of the fact of his arrival, adding that he was awaiting communications from the Spanish Government and the naming of a representative who is expected to cooperate with him.

Consul General Lee and special commissioner Calhoun yesterday visited the city jail and talked with the prisoners there. Among those interviewed were Senor Vioadi, attorney for Gen. Julio Sanguilly, and Senor Garcia, who is charged with publishing unreliable and alarming anti-Spanish news. Senor Garcia attempted to plead American citizenship in defence, but so far he has been unable to produce the proofs of this citizenship, and it is doubtful whether he will be able to demonstrate that he is a citizen of the United States.

General Lee has entered a protest at the palace against the violation of American mails at the Havana postoffice.

According to official advices received here, Gen. Gomez, fleeing before the columns of Captain General Weyler, is now in the virgin forests of the province of Puerto Principe, west of the Jucaro-Moron trocha. Others there are who believe that he has succeeded in crossing the trocha and personally escaping by sea with a few men. It seems to be pretty well settled, however, that he is now at least forty miles from Havana and consequently there is little fear of an attack on the city of Havana by the insurgents.

Calixto Soto, a surrendered lieutenant from the camp of Gen. Gomez, reports that Gomez, during the winter campaign, did not cross the river Zaza. He marched through the Santa Teresa, La Majagnon and La Reforma Zones, and is now supposed to be in the vicinity of the last mentioned place. He wanted to invade the western provinces, but the insurgent Government would not allow him to do this, fearing the superior Spanish forces. Gomez still continues his former tactics, declining to fight and confining his military operations to light skirmishing. He relies upon time, the wet season, the breaking down of the financial system of the Spanish Government and the ravages of disease among the Government forces to bring about the triumph of his cause.

Georgetown College won the championship of the South yesterday by defeating the University of Virginia in a game of ball. The score was Georgetown 13 and Virginia 6.

THE CIVIL SERVICE.

Some of Its Absurdities and Inconsistencies as Shown by the Investigation of the Senate Committee.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, May 15.—The Senate committee investigating the condition of the civil service, resumed its session to-day. Auditor Howard, who has jurisdiction of the accounts of the Post-office Department, presented a statement showing 56 per cent. of the employes to be Republicans and 40 per cent. Democrats; balance unknown. The clerks brought in under the civil service had been an improvement over old clerks.

Public Printer Palmer stated that he believed it would be advantageous to abolish the civil service as applicable to the Government Printing Office and go back to the former system.

Commissioner Proctor stated that the examinations were not prepared by the Civil Service Commission, but by a board from the Government printing office, familiar with the requirements. The public printer nominated the board so that he retained discretion over the examinations.

William H. Collins, chief clerk of the Government printing office, caused a mild sensation by stating that he held a commission as a member of the board of examiners. But he did not know the other members and had never acted. After being appointed he had been called before Albert Baker, secretary of Public Printer Benedict, and advised that it would be desirable for him not to serve until so directed by the public printer.

Mr. Elkins brought out what he regarded as an inconsistency that the mechanical force worked eight hours a day while the clerical force worked six and a half hours, at greater pay. The law required seven hours a day of Government clerks and Mr. Elkins estimated that the government lost $15,000 to $20,000 a day by short clerical service.

After extended discussion, the members of the committee agreed that the public printer had the right to rearrange the list of skilled labor, omitting stablemen, charwomen, door-keepers and others heretofore classed as skilled help.

Mr. Palmer said if he had this power, he proposed to exercise it, but he felt that the Civil Service Commission would interfere with his action.

"Suppose they do" asked Mr. Elkins, "what can they do to you? They are now above the law. You have as much right to construe the law as they have. The trouble is every one is afraid of this commission."

MISSISSIPPI FLOOD.

River at a Stand-still at New Orleans—Work Still Progressing on Levees.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW ORLEANS, May 15.—The river still refuses to reveal its future plans, standing still all day and night. Nevertheless the engineers are growing in the belief that the Biggs crevasse happened after the flood wave passed Vicksburg and that the worst is over. Work is still going on steadily on weak levees and the Burton line at Baton Rouge is being held with the rest. The attorney of the levee board gave an opinion adverse to the proposed grant to the railroads here, but it is believed that the deal will eventually be made and the lines build large levees in front of the city, running a double track along the top.

A DASTARDLY DEED.

An Elderly White Man Assaulted and His Throat Cut, Near Reidsville, N. C.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., May 15.—An elderly man with his throat cut from ear to ear was found on the public highway near Reidsville to-day. He could not articulate, but wrote on a slip of paper that he was Charles Preston, a public school teacher, making his way from Patrick county, Virginia, to Caswell county, North Carolina, and had been attacked by two young white men, who carried him into the pine-woods and cut his throat, when they found he had no money. Physicians are trying to save his life.

WARM WIRELETS.

Princetown defeated Harvard yesterday in the first championship game of base ball of the collegiate season, by 6 to 3.

Dr. J. M. Hays, a member of the State Board of Medical Examiners, was found dead in bed at his home in Greensboro yesterday morning.

John E. Doehring, ex-city treasurer of Belleville, Ills., hanged himself. His accounts are all right but he had over-drawn his salary to the extent of $500.

At Roanoke, Va., Blacksburg defeated the Virginia Military Institute in a ball game by the score of six to two. The game ended in a fight but no one was seriously injured.

General W. F. Draper, the new minister to Italy, sailed for New York on La Bourgogne yesterday and Thomas F. Bayard, ex-embassador to the Great Britain arrived on board the St. Paul.

The Empire Plaid mills at High Point, N. C., which had been shut down for some time were burned yesterday morning. Nothing was saved except the boiler and engine. Loss $27,000, insurance $16,000.

An avalanche of sand and gravel at a cut being made by the New Castle Traction Company near New Castle, Pa., buried five men. Two were killed instantly and three others seriously injured, one fatally.

Applications for appointment under the treasury department have been filed as follows: J. T. Cramer, of Thomasville, N. C., as deputy auditor for the navy department; H. A. Rucker, as examiner of drugs at Atlanta, Ga.

A boiler at a saw mill near Randolph, Ky., exploded, killing Ger. Brown, Simon Kirkpatrick, G. D. Ward and Hisson. Virgil Kundley was fatally hurt and another of Ward's sons had both legs broken and will die. A third son was badly scalded.

Ogden, the crack two-year old, winner of the Futurity of 1896, had his colors lowered at Morris Park N. Y., by the Belmont colt Octagon. It was the twenty-fourth running of the classic wither stakes for three-year olds, at a mile, and a great crowd gathered.

The fiftieth anniversary of the death of Daniel O'Connell was observed at Rome by a requiem mass celebrated at the Irish College. Cardinals Vaughn and Satolli were present and Bishop Keane, formerly rector of the Catholic University of Washington, delivered an oration.

A special to the *News and Courier* from Cheraw, S. C., says the annual conference of the Mormon Church, or Latter Day Saints, for South Carolina, is in session at Wallaces in this county. Forty travelling Mormon elders who are at work in this State are in attendance.

A south-bound mail and a north-bound excursion train on the Alabama Great Southern railroad collided on a curve near Hulls, Ala., yesterday. Six persons were more or less seriously injured and the engines and baggage cars were demolished. The engineers and firemen escaped by jumping.

A steam launch, in which were sixteen persons, seeking a view of the dedication ceremonies at Philadelphia, became unmanagable and was swept over the dam at Fairmount in Schuylkill river. A woman named Ewen and two younger sisters named Matthias were drowned. The others were rescued.

ANTI-BRITISH COMBINATION.

Germany, France and Russia Will Undertake Solution of the Egypt and Transvaal Questions.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

BERLIN, May 15.—The correspondent of the Associated Press is informed that during the past week a definite understanding was perfected by which the cabinets of Germany, France and Russia will soon reach the solution of the Egypt and Transvaal questions and this will be done systematically in an anti-British sense. As soon as the Greco-Turkish trouble is settled the subject will be jointly taken up unless Great Britain in the meanwhile precipitates matters, in which case she will encounter the united open hostility of the three continental Powers. The ultimate object of the agreement is to force the evacuation of Egypt and the nullification of the Pretoria convention of 1886, and to put the Transvaal upon a perfectly independent basis.

France, in the settlement of the peace conditions with Greece, will persistently side with Russia and Germany, in spite of the strong current of public opinion to the contrary.

The weekly bank statement shows the following changes: Reserves increase, $896,525; loans increase, $1,051,090; specie increase, $561,500; legal tenders increase, $275,900; deposits increase, $1,851,500; circulation decrease $188,500. The banks now hold $44,490,500 in excess of legal requirements.

A TERRIBLE ORDEAL.

But the Man Was Brave and Passed Through It Safely.

An officer in the French army, during the reign of Napoleon, having incurred the suspicion or resentment of the emperor, thought it expedient to abandon his country and take refuge in one of the Austrian provinces, and here he became advised of and initiated into a society, the object of whose formation was to hurl to the ground the colossus whose arm smote and governed the whole continent of Europe with a scepter of iron.

One day a letter was brought to him containing the usual signs and passwords of the society and requiring him to repair, on the following night, to a secluded spot in a forest, where he would meet some of his associates.

He went, but he found nobody. The orders were repeated four times. The officer sought the appointed place with no better success than the first. On the fifth night of his appearance at the rendezvous, after waiting some time, he was on the point of returning, when loud cries suddenly arrested his attention.

Drawing his sword, he hastened to the spot whence they seemed to proceed and was fired upon by three men, who, on seeing that he remained unwounded, instantly took to flight, but at his feet lay a bleeding corpse, in which, by the feeble light of the moon, he in vain sought for tokens of returning animation. He was yet bending over the dead man when a detachment of chasseurs, summoned apparently by the noise of the pistols that had been discharged at himself, came up suddenly and arrested him as the assassin.

He was loaded with chains, tried the next day and condemned to die for his supposed crime. His execution was ordered to take place at midnight. Surrounded by the ministers of justice he was led at a slow pace, by the light of torches and the funeral tolling of bells, to a vast square, in the center of which was a scaffold environed by horsemen. Beyond these were a numerous group of spectators who muttered impatiently and at intervals sent forth a cry of abhorrence.

The victim mounted the scaffold and his sentence was read, and the first act of the tragedy was on the point of fulfillment when an officer let fall a word of hope. An edict had just been promulgated by the government offering a pardon and life to any condemned criminal who should disclose the members and secret tokens of a particular association, the existence of which the Frenchman to whom these words were addressed had lately become aware of, and of which he had become a member.

He was questioned, but he denied all knowledge. They urged him to confess, with promises of additional reward. His only reply was a demand for immediate death—and his initiation was completed.

All that had passed was a terrible trial of fidelity. Those who surrounded him were members of the society, and every incident that has been described from the summons to the last moment of expected death was only a step in the progress of the fearful ordeal by which the society sought to determine the trustworthiness of the neophyte.—Pearson's Weekly.

The Old Fashioned High Tea.

The table for a "high tea" is usually arranged without a tablecloth, particularly if the hostess happens to possess a handsome table. At each place should be a plate doily and a tumbler doily; in the center of the table an embroidered centerpiece in colors in harmony with the table decorations and the flowers it is intended to use. At the head of the table upon an embroidered square are laid the tea service, the urn, the cups and saucers, the cream pitcher, sugar bowl, etc. At the other end upon another embroidered square may be placed the piece de resistance of the "high tea." Scattered about on circular doilies are the dishes of jelly, preserves, pickles, sweet and sour, olives, butter balls, cakes, etc. At each place, resting upon the plate doily, should be a pretty plate and the necessary silver, a goblet, a bread and butter plate and a saltcellar.

All the cold dishes are placed upon the table before the meal is announced and the hot ones served immediately upon the guests being seated. Broiled chicken and waffles, fried oysters and hot biscuit, scalloped oysters, creamed oysters, broiled oysters and creamed chicken are always in order. Hot buttered and hot dry toast belong properly to the "high tea," as do chicken and lobster salad. The tea and coffee are served, with the meal. Generally the sweet portion consists merely of cake, jelly and preserves. Ice cream is sometimes served and whipped cream or charlotte russe. Thin slices of white and brown bread carefully buttered make a welcome addition to the menu.—Ladies' Home Journal.

In the Sidesaddle.

Good form in the saddle depends upon many things—upon the horse, the rider and the saddle. The saddle must be straight. The saddle with the reversible pommel is excellent in teaching either women or children, as it enables them to perfect their balance in a short time, but it is not necessary. A good balance can be taught with any saddle. The rider should sit erect, not stiff as though devoid of muscular action, but straight enough to indicate a strong spine and athletic training. Gloves should be strong, loose fitting and subdued in coloring.—New York Tribune.

Mrs. Zerelda Wallace.

One of the greatest of America's woman orators is Mrs. Zerelda Wallace, the stepmother of General Lew Wallace and the original of one of the most beautiful characters in "Ben-Hur."

Mrs. Wallace has been a temperance worker and a woman suffragist for many years. She thus relates the circumstances of her conversion to the cause of woman's rights:

After I had been in religious reform work for a little while I took up the cause of woman suffrage. It happened this way: A number of us women went to Indianapolis to work for the retention of the Baxter local option law when the question of its repeal was up before the Indiana legislature. During the vote on the question a Dr. Thompson, an elder in the Presbyterian church and a member of the senate, rose in his place to explain his vote. He said that although personally opposed to the liquor traffic he must, as the representative of his constituency and the taxpayers, cast his ballot in favor of the repeal of the local option law.

Then I thought to myself, Who compose his constituency and the taxpayers whom he represents? I was then a widow with six little children, and I had my taxes to pay, and we all had to obey the laws. A light broke over me, and I came to the conclusion that I was a part of that constituency of which the senator spoke, and so was every other woman in the district. After the session I went up to Senator Thompson, and, shaking hands with him, thanked him for that speech and told him that his speech had made a woman suffragist of me.—New York Mail and Express.

Bert's Handkerchief.

"No, no!" exclaimed little Bert as mamma was about to take his handkerchief and wipe his tears. "Please use yours."

"Why," asked mamma, "what is your handkerchief for?"

"To put perfume on," replied Bert promptly.—Youth's Companion.

An Unsuccessful Portrait.

Fond Mamma—What are you drawing on your slate, pet?

Little Nell—I was tryin to draw my dolly, but I t'ink I'll call it a clothespin.—Pearson's Weekly.

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I OFFER FOR SALE $5,000 WORTH OF Staple Hardware. The entire stock of John R. Powder, consisting of Farm Implements of every kind, Cook Stoves, Belting, Cast Material, Cutlery, Paints, Oils &c. In fact a well assorted and complete stock of Staple Hardware for cash. This is a fine opportunity for any one who may wish to engage in this line of business in the finest agricultural section of North Carolina. Come at once and examine the stock. F. S. ROUNTREE, Trustee.
Tarboro, N. C., May 6th, 1897. my 6 1w

FREE! FREE!

I AM GIVING EVERY CUSTOMER a card that gets the following presents:

For a $5.00 purchase I will give a Brass Wall Pocket or one set of fine Silver-plated Teaspoons.

For a $10.00 purchase I will give a Child's High Chair or a Life-size Portrait of any of your family.

For a $15.00 purchase I will give a nice Oak Center Table.

For a $25.00 purchase I will give a three shelf Oak Book Case, a large Oak Center Table or a fine Oak Arm Rocking Chair.

For a $50.00 purchase I will give a very fine Oak Folding Book Case, a standing Open and Shut Writing Desk or a beautiful Hall Hatrack with Umbrella Stand and Mirror in the center.

This Furniture is given away expressly to encourage the cash trade. Under no circumstances will cards be punched for credit accounts, but for the cash only. I want the spot cash trade, and I will give you more good honest goods for your dollar than any house in the State.

Read my prices and compare them with other houses and then decide where is the best place to spend your honest dollar:

A job of 2,000 yards, short lengths, Cheriolette, worth 5c, now 3c. A big drive slightly damaged in Chambre, in pink and blue, at 3½c.
10,000 yards of nice Dress Goods Plaids this week for 3½c.
3,000 yards of nice Dress Ginghams for 3½c.
1,500 yards of Rosebud Lawn for 3½c.
2,000 yards of 1 yard wide white Sea Island Sheeting at 4½c.
⅞ yard wide thick heavy White Homespun at 3½c.
Table Oil Cloth at 12½c.
Beautiful 64 inches wide Bleached Table Linen at 25c.
Turkey Red Table Cloth at 18c.
80 inches long Cotton Towel at 10c.
Splendid Cottonade Pants Cloth at 8c; very heavy at 12½c; the best wore heavy and nice Pants Cloth worth 40c, now 25c.
Nice large Fringed Lap Robe, a job, for 25c.
100 Marsailles Bed Spreads, fine and nice, worth $1.00, this week for 60c; a beautiful colored Spread at 75c.
Fine Lace Curtains at 50c a pair.
Handsome steel frame Congo handle cloth cover Gloria top 26 inch Umbrella for $1.00.
You will find us at 113 North Front St., opposite the Orton Hotel.

Geo. O. Gaylord, Prop.,
my 16 tf Of Wilmington's Big Racket Store.

A. D. BROWN,

Successor to BROWN & RODDICK,

No. 29 North Front St.

PROSPERITY.

We have received notice from manufacturers and dealers of a steady rise in all kinds of Dry Goods and Carpets. Prosperity is in sight and it behooves our customers to make their purchases before it arrives. We are offering goods this week to suit the

HARD TIMES.

1,000 yards Silkaline at 10 cents a yard.
We have just received 1,000 yards Bordered Muslins for Curtains at 12½, 15, 17, 18, 20, 25, 30 and 40c per yard.
500 Cloth Window Shades at 25 cents each, complete.
Antique Lace Curtains, 3½ yards long, 54-inch wide, $4 per pair.
All Linen Window Shades 2x6 at 35 cents each.
Felt Window Shades 12½ cents each.
Curtain Poles, with wooden fixtures, Oak, Mahogany, Walnut, Poplar, 33½ cents each.
Curtain Poles and Brass fixtures, Oak, Mahogany, Walnut and Poplar, 87½ cents each.
Brass Extension Rods 10 and 15 cents each.
Fire Place Screens, complete, $1 each.
Point de-Sprat, 54-inch wide, 15c per yard.
Nottingham Curtain Nets 15, 20, 25 and 30c per yard.

UNDERWEAR.

Gentlemen's Balbriggan Shirts and Drawers 25 and 50 cents each.
Gentlemen's Drill Drawers 50 cents pair.
Gentlemen's Hosiery 10, 15, 20, 25 and 50 cents.
Gentlemen's Dress Shirts 50, 75, $1 and $1.50.
Ladies' Bleached Vests, low neck, no sleeves, taped, 10 cents each.
Ladies' Unbleached Vests, low neck, no sleeves, taped, 12½ and 15 cents each.

Children's and Youths' Underwear.

We make a specialty of Ladies' Bathing Suits in Brilliantine and Flannel; also Submarine and ordinary Rubber Bathing Caps.
100 pieces Matting just received made in China—80, 90 and 100 lbs to roll.
Carpets at special prices.
Small Hardware for house furnishing.
Art Denims in real and imitation.
Velours, Tapestries, Japanese Draperies, Brocatelles, Tapestries, Upholstering Damask, Gimps, Upholstering Plush, Oil Cloths and Stair Linens.
Trunks and Telescopes, Pocket Books and Rugs.
Corsets—"Her Majesty," "R. & G.," C-B a la sorite, Warner's "Trippie A A A," Warner's "No. 62," Warner's "No. 922," Warner's "Trippie N N N," Warner's Coraline, sizes 21 to 36, "Thompson's Glove-Fitting," "Sylvia French Woven," "Ferris Waists," "Nagrath Waist" for children.
Dress Goods—The prettiest line ever shown in Wilmington.
Ladies' Shirt Waists.

Hudnut's Toilet Requisites.
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